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ACTS

OF THE APOSTLES.

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ON THE BASIS OF THE COMMON ENGLISH VERSION.

WITH NOTES.
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HE THAT HATH MY WORD, LET HIM SPEAK MY WORD FAITHFULLY.
WHAT IS THE CHAFF TO THE WHEAT? SAITH JEHOVAH.

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KING JAMES' VERSION.

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TONThe former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that εποιησάμην περὶ πάντων & Θεό- Theophilus, I composed, of

μὲν πρῶτον λόγον

THE former Narrative, 1

* The common English title of this book is not truthful. | Memoirs of Jesus Christ. He calls his gospel "a declaration" There is no such book extant as "The Acts of the Apostles". The Acts, public or official, of not one of them are recorded. It is, indeed, more truthfully given in all the Greek copies which I have seen, "Acts of the Apostles". We cannot avoid saying of this book, that it contains all the acts of all the Apostles, reported to us. But while this may be its current value with us, still we should have it translated and presented just as it appears in the original-Acts of the Apostles. And this certainly is as true as the original, because true to it.

The text selected by the Bible Union, being our standard copy, we should have it "Acts of the Holy Apostles", ΠΡΑΞΕΙΣ ΤΩΝ ΑΓΙΩΝ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΩΝ, which lacks plenary authority. The Vulgate has Actus Apostolorum, more in accordance with truth. The Hebrew translation of the Biblia Polyglotta has also "Acts of the Apostles". See its translation of our common Greek into the Hebrew. S. Lee. S. T. B. London, 1831, Samuel Bagster. As there were no unholy apostles, we cannot appreciate the propriety of the epithet HOLY, unless Judas be the exception.

* Τον μεν πρωτον λογον. The former treatise. The former Narrative. A treatise is rather a philosophical or a logical discussion of some thesis or topic-a logical and methodical discourse. Such is not this book of Acts. It is a narrative of certain sayings and doings of the Messiah, his Apostles. their associates and contemporaries.

The word loyos in the com. ver. is represented by treatise, account, communication, speech, utterance, words, tidings, preaching, and saying. But only in this place treatise. Account or narrative seems much more apposite to Luke's composed, as in this revision.

of the things concerning Christ. Cranmer, the Geneva and Rheims, in their respective versions, give treatise, merely followed in the com. ver. Murdock's ver. of the Syriac gives book; but this is no more pertinent. Wiclif gives sermon. Boothroyd gives relation, as also Granville Penn, Esq. The word treatise is appropriately followed by upon. Such a work Luke has not given to us.

^b Ω Θεοφιλε.—Ω, exclamatory, is retained, or translated by O, and Oh, indicative of strong feeling or emotion; but in simple address it is not necessarily so, being merely the sign of the vocative. Hence Beza omits it, Wiclif also. Tyndale has given it a special sense, "Dear friend", and is followed by Cranmer, and the Rheims vers. The Geneva gives it no representation, nor even do the King's translators translate or transfer it, in ch. 27:21, where we have ω Avdoes translated Sirs, com. ver. To be consistent they ought not to have transferred it before Osoques. Luke in his Gospel having addressed him as "most excellent" (Koariote), it seems enough, in his second dedication, simply and more familiarly to call him, Theophilus. The copy of Beza which I use was printed, London, 1581, and crowded with his critical notes and annotations. He was decidedly, by common consent, the most learned and able Latin and Greek critic of the sixteenth century.

· The agrist indicative is here better rendered by our imperfect, composed, which is really an aorist, or an indefinite, than by our perfect, have composed.

Ποιεω signifies, to make, form, construct. When applied to a narrative it is more congenial with our language to render it

Jesus began both to do and teach,

2 Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:

3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion, by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

4 And being assembled together with them, commanded GREEK TEXT.

 $\phi_i \lambda \epsilon$, $\dot{\omega}_{\nu}$ $\dot{\eta}_{\rho} \dot{\xi}_{\alpha \tau o}$ \dot{o} 'Iησο \hat{v}_s all that Jesus began both to do ποιείν τε καὶ διδάσκειν, ² ἄχρι έντειλάμενος τοίς ής ήμέρας αποστόλοις δια Αγίου, οθς έξελέξατο, ανελήφθη, 3 οίς καὶ παρέστησεν έαυτον ζώντα μετά το παθείν αὐτον, έν πολλοίς τεκμηρίοις, δι ήμερων τεσσαράκοντα οπτανόμενος αύτοίς, καὶ λέγων τὰ περὶ τῆς βασιλείας τοῦ Θεοῦ. 4 $\kappa \alpha i$

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and to teach, even to the day, 2 on which he was taken up, after that he, through the 'Holy Πνεύματος Spirit had given frommandment to the Apostles whom he had schosen; to whom also 3 he showed himself alive, after his suffering, hin many convincing proofs, during forty days appearing to them, and speaking of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God; and having convened them 4 συναλιζόμενος παρήγγειλεν αυ- together, he commanded them

d "Began to do and teach". "Performed and taught", Wakefield; "did and taught", Boothroyd. In vindication of this version he affirms, on considerable authority, "That the verb aρχομαι, with the infinitive of another verb, defines the time of the verb". But the fact, that all the Evangelists together did not relate all that Jesus did and taught, seriously impairs the value of the criticism. And the affirmation of John, "that the world could not contain the books that might have been written", had all his sayings and doings been recorded, seems to question the propriety, if not the validity, of his conclusion.

· Holy Spirit occurs in the com. ver. of the Old Testament seven times. In the New Test. Holy Ghost occurs ninety-one times; not once in the Old Test. Why the royal translators and some others so translated this word, I presume not dogmatically to affirm. Could it have been that they understood that the Holy Spirit of the former Dispensation was to become, and did become, the Holy Ghost, or the Holy Guest, of the New?

In our currency, we have almost exclusively given the title "ghost", to the spirit of a dead man. Unless by "Holy Ghost" our contemporaries understand Holy Guest much more suitable and intelligible to them, it will be better uniformly, in the New Testament as in the Old, to use, as its representative, Holy Spirit.

The transcendent glory of the New Constitution and Church of Jesus Christ is, that while Jesus, the Lord of glory, is its living head, the Holy Spirit is its Holy Guest; and thus the New Constitution is written upon the fleshly tables of the heart, while the Old was written on granite or marble tables, and presented to the outward eye. How justly, in harmony with this view, does Paul say to the Corinthian Church, "You are the temple of the living God, as God has said, I will dwell in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."

Boothroyd; "after he had given a charge", Dodd.; "having given commandment", Wesley, Anonymous, London, 1836; "after giving his commands", Wakefield; "after giving a charge", Thom. Reference seems here to be had to Luke 24:48, to a specific command to wait for plenary power. There is no good reason why the com. ver. should assume the plural in this case. Either a special command or a general commission must be understood.

- ^E Εξελεξατο. There is a general consent among translators and critics that reference is here had to the special call of apostles at the commencement of his public ministry; and, therefore, a pluperfect sense is given to the verb. Stuart's Grammar of the New Testament, p. 102.
- h Εν πολλοις τεκμηριοις. In or by-not among, in this case. His showing himself alive was not one among many signs or proofs-but during forty days' living, or appearing, among them, they had many opportunities of realizing and identifying his person.
- "Infallible proofs", com. ver. Arguments, Wiclif; tokens, Tyndale and Cranmer; "infallible tokens", Geneva; "many arguments", Rheims; "proofs", Wakefield; "plusieurs preuves", French; "in multis argumentis", Vulgate; Biblia Sacra Pol. S. Lee. S. T. B. London, 1831. To these, we prefer "convincing proofs", Wakefield. Τεκμηφίον occurs but once in the N. T. "Many convincing manifestations", De Wette; "by numerous signs", Murdock's trans. of the Syriac Peshito version.
 - $\int \Delta \iota \alpha$, before words of time, means during.
 - k I take this participle in its active sense.
- 1 "And having assembled them together". "And being assembled together with them". "And when eating together". These three versions have been given to συναλιζομενος—arguments and versions have been adduced for each of them, and by critics, too, of high rank-translators and commentators. f Errechauevos-dedisset, Beza; "having commanded", We shall first hear the versions. "And when he had caten

part from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, suith he, ye have heard of me.

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them that they should not de- τοις ἀπὸ Ἱεροσολύμων μὴ χωρί- not to depart from Jerusalem; ζεσθαι, άλλα περιμένειν την έπαγγελίαν τοῦ πατρὸς, ηκούσατέ μου· ⁵ ότι Ἰωάννης says he, you have heard from

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but to await the gift promised $\hat{\eta}\nu$ them by the Father, which, 5 For John truly baptized $u\dot{\epsilon}\nu$ $\dot{\epsilon}\beta\dot{\alpha}\pi\tau\iota\sigma\epsilon\nu$ $\tilde{\upsilon}\delta\alpha\tau\iota$, $\dot{\upsilon}\mu\epsilon\hat{\iota}s$ $\delta\dot{\epsilon}$ me: for John indeed simmersed 5

bread with them, he instructed them not to depart from Jerusalem", Murdock's trans. of the Syr. Pesh. Et congregans eos, "And congregating them", Beza, London Ed., 1581, with Junius and Tremellius. "And being assembled with them", Granville Penn, Esq., London, 1836. "And eat with hem and commanded, that they shulden not departe, fro Jerusalem", Wielif, 1380. "And gaddered them togeder", Tyndale, 1534. "And being assembled together with them", Authorized version, 1611. "And gathered them together". Cranmer. 1539. "And gathering them together", Geneva, 1557. "And eating with them ", Rheims, 1582. Boothroyd, with all these premises before him, renders the passage thus, "And then assembling them together, he commanded them not to depart, &c."

Prof. Hackett, for whose ability and candor I entogain a very high regard, in his recent very learned "Commentary on the Original Text of the Acts of the Apostles", Boston, 1852, says, "The active sense of this verb has not been proved". and gives it "being assembled", giving Meyer, Olshausen, and De Wette, as confirmatory of his conclusion. "Having assembled them together", is, however, maintained by some distinguished scholars, I might say by many. Doddridge renders it, "having assembled them together", stating, too, "that some critics, ancient and modern, particularly Chrysostom and Theophylact, understand the word συναλιζομενος as expressive of Christ's eating with his disciples during the forty days". But he adds, "The notes of Elsner and Raphelius seem abundantly sufficient to justify the version I have given ". We have also συναυλιζομαι-una commoror, living together, in the same avln-hall, or court, which has been seized by some, in aid of their version of "eating together". But, in our esteem, Leigh is our best authority. In his Critica Sacra, London, ed. 1650, on Acts 1:4, he gives convescens, congregans-conversans; and adds, Item, qua pastor dispersas oves sub tectum collegit; quæ significationes optime congruerent huic loco, quia Christus discipulos fugitivos velut dispersos oviculas iterum collegit, et ad spiritualem militiam armavit. There is nothing in "eating together", relevant to a mission; but there is something in congregating, or calling together a company of persons, in order to the better accomplishment of their mission, or for commissioning them. That such an assignation or appointment was made, we learn from Matthew 28: 16, in connection with Matt. 26: 32 -" I will go before you into Galilee, after I am risen again". This appointment is fairly indicated in these passages with their context.

m Επαγγελια is here, by a metonomy, used for the thing promised. The promise itself having arready been given, they could not be required to await it.

ⁿ Εβαπτισεν ύδατι, ύμενε δε βαπτισθησεσθε εν πνευματι άγιφ. "Immersed in water "-- "Immersed in the Holy Spirit". The $B\alpha\pi\tau\omega$ family, and the $B\alpha\pi\tau\iota\zeta\omega$ branch of it, have become famous through all Christendom. They are honorably descended from a very ancient family, in classic heraldry. They are descended from $\beta \alpha \pi$ by an onomatopæia, "which coins a word from sound, by which alone its meaning may be ascertained". It is self-interpretive. We have dip and plunge from the sound of any instrument or material variously brought into contact with water. Dip, bap and plunge, indi cate the sounds made by variously applying any solid substance to water. The air echoes plunge, when a person is suddenly immersed in water-it echoes dip and bap, when persons or other solid substances are suddenly submerged.

Being words of action, and not of mode, they can have but one literal and proper meaning. Banto occurs in the N. T. three times, always trans. com, ver. by dip. Βαπτιζω occurs eighty-one times, transferred seventy-eight times. thrice translated wash, by a metonymy of the effect for the cause. Bantiouos occurs only four times, once translated washing by the same figure. Bantistys occurs fourteen times, exclusively applied to John, the Harbinger. Βαπτισμα is universally transferred in the com. ver. John, the Harbinger, is the only one called Baptist in King James' version.

In tracing their ancestral history up to Moses and his law of ceremonial observances, we find, on a grand occasion, the whole tribe of modes of wetting were convened, in Βαπτω, $Paiv\omega$, $X\varepsilon\omega$, ' $Pav\tau i\zeta\omega$, on special duty, each one in his own official service, with his armor on. The priest was to pour oil into the palm of his left hand; he was then to dip his right forefinger in the oil that was in his left hand, and then to sprinkle of the oil seven times before the Lord.

Prof. Stuart, of Andover, affirms, that all lexicographers and critics of note agree that $\beta\alpha\pi\tau\omega$ and $\beta\alpha\pi\tau\iota\zeta\omega$ indicate to dip, plunge, or immerse. Bib. Repository, 1833, p. 298. In support of which, he cites Lucian, in Timon, Plutarch, Strabo, Themestius, the Sybylline verse concerning the city of Athens, Josephus, Homer, Pindar, Aristotle, Aristophanes, Heraclides, Herodotus, Aratus, Xenophon, Diodorus Siculus, Plato, Epictetus, Hippocrates, Heliodorus, cum multis

To these we might add the testimony of Wall, Locke, Tillot-

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with water; but ye shall be $\beta \alpha \pi \tau \iota \sigma \theta \eta \sigma \epsilon \sigma \theta \epsilon$ $\epsilon \nu$ $\Pi \nu \epsilon \nu \mu \alpha \tau \iota$ in water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

'Αγίω, οὐ μετὰ πολλὰς ταύτας not many days hence.

immersed in the Holy Spirit,

Bishop Nicholson, Doddridge, Whitfield, Wesley, Macknight, and the Assembly of Divines, as concurring with this interpretation of the words of this family. So testifies also the whole Greek Church. The ancient versions—the Syriac, (both the Peshito, 2d century, and the Philoxenian, 6th century,) the Arabic Polyglott, 7th century, the Propaganda, A. D. 1671, all give the same family-"amada"-immerse, of which word the Greek representative is $\beta \alpha \pi \tau \iota \zeta \omega$.

· Πνευματι Άγιφ. In v. 2 of this same chapter, we have Πνευματος Άγιου. In v. 8 we have του Άγιου Πνευματος; v. 16 we again have το Πνευμα το Άγιον; and, again, another form ch. 2: 4, Πνευματος Άγιου.

The Book of the Acts, or of Acts of Apostles by some of the Ancients was not inappropriately called "The Gospel of the Holy Spirit." He is, indeed, more frequently spoken of in this book than in the whole Four Gospels. His personal attributes, mission, and work, are more fully developed in the details of the apostolic mission than in any other portion of the Christian Scriptures. Speculative Theologians, in their metaphysics, have, indeed, been much perplexed in their versions and criticisms upon the anarthrous forms of this Divine person.

After a very special and protracted examination of his Divine personality and his work, we have much confidence in the result indicated in the following analysis and synthesis of the Christian oracles, and especially of this book; and because of its importance, and to prevent frequent allusions and references to the special positions and attitudes in which he appears, we judge it expedient, in the opening of this Book of Acts apostolic, to take a critical and full view of this third personal manifestation of Jehovah. We have one Jehovah in the person of the Father, in the person of the Son, or word Incarnate, and in the person of the Holy Spirit.

Πνευμα Άγιον is without the Greek article, though in rendering it, we are required to use the English definite article THE. The Greek δ , $\hat{\eta}$, τo , commonly called the Greek article, must not be confounded with our definite English article, merely because they are called by the same name. Their uses, in the two languages, are by no means parallel. We are constrained, by the laws of the two languages, to employ the English article frequently, when it is not used in the Original, and vice versa. Each case must be considered with reference to the general principles of composition which obtain in the English and in the Greek respectively. We usually translate o Osos, simply God, not "the God." Yet it is, with but few exceptions, & Osos, "the God," in the Original. In Matt. 1:23, we correctly translate, $M_{\epsilon} \mathcal{F}$ ήμων δ

son, Secker, Samuel Clarke, Locke, the philosopher, Wall, Wells, | many places. Sometimes, however, we find the article omitted before Ocos, as in Matt. 22:32. In the first part of this verse, we have δ Θεος, and we translate properly, "I am the God of Abraham &c."-but in the latter clause we have ove εστιν ὁ Θεος, Θεος νεκρων αλλα ζωντων, literally, "the God is not God of dead, but of living," but properly, "God is not 'the' God of 'the' dead, but of 'the' living." Here, we not only omit the Greek article, where it is in the text, but supply the English article in three places, where there is no article in the original. In Mark 12:27 and Luke 20:38, we have the parallel passages, and the same construction. The use or omission of the Greek article, in these places, is governed by a very general principle of the Greek language, according to which they employed the article simply to distinguish between the subject and the predicate of a sentence. In the sublime and abstract language of John's introduction to his Gospel, we have a similar case. Εν αρχη, without an article, we translate, "in the beginning." But in the latter part of the 1st verse of this chapter, we have Θεος ην ὁ λογος. Why do we not translate, in the order of the Greek, and say, "God was the word"?—clearly, because & loyos is shown to be the subject of the sentence, not only by the context, but by the use of the article before loyos, and its omission before Geos. This principle of employing the Greek article or not, according as it is connected with the subject or predicate of a sentence, might be illustrated at great length, but it would be foreign to the purpose of this note to enter upon so extended a field of criticism.

This word πνευμα occurs very frequently in the scriptures, and with various adjuncts. We note, these five expressions πνευμα (spirit), το πνευμα (the spirit), πνευμα άγιον (spirit holy), το άγιον πνευμα (the holy spirit), and το πνευμα το άγιον (the spirit the holy). Let us consider first, the question does the use or the omission of the article, in the Greek, determine the fact, whether it is the divine, that is, the infinite, or a finite spirit, which is spoken of? In Mark 9:20, "the spirit (το πνευμα) tare him." Here we have the article—but it is a demoniacal spirit, that is spoken of. So elsewhere. In Mark 1:10, "and the spirit ($\tau o \pi \nu \epsilon \nu \mu \alpha$), like a dove," &c. Here we have the article, as before, but now it means the Holy Spirit or "the spirit of God" (το πνευμα του Θεου), as Matthew expresses it 3:16. In Luke 9:39, "Lo a spirit $(\pi\nu\varepsilon\nu\mu\alpha)$, taketh him," &c. Here there is no article, and it is a demoniacal spirit. In ch. 24:37, "They had seen a spirit (πνευμα), and v. 39, "a spirit (πνευμα), hath not flesh and bones," &c., without the article. But then, also, without the article, Jno. 3:5, "of water and of the spirit (πνευματος);" so frequently in the epistles; as in Gal. 5: 25, "If we live in Θεος, "God with us," and not "the God with us." So in the spirit (πνευματι), let us also walk in the spirit (πνευματι)";

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6 When they therefore were $\dot{\eta}\mu\dot{\epsilon}\rho\alpha s$.

 6 Oi μέν οὖν συνελcome together, they asked of θόντες έπηρώτων αὐτὸν λέγοντες, gether, asked him, saying,

They now having come Pto- 6

P This agrees with the command to "continue in Jerusa-| passage, when dissenting from De Wette, as quoted by lem", Luke 24: 49. Some interpreters, with the concurrence of De Wette, construe the participle substantively, "They now, who came together". Grammatical enough, but not in accordance with the author of this book, in the case and in most instances, in our idiom, represented by asked. alluded to. So Olshausen judicious, remarks on this Matt. 15:23. John 4:40; 8:7; 12:21, &c.

Prof. Hackett, Of μεν ουν συνελθοντες; They now having come together.

^q Επηρωτων, literally were asking, tantamount to asked,

again Eph. 2:22, "Habitation of God brough the spirit | verse, in narrating the effect of this spirit, it is said, "It was (εν πνευματι)"; and in 1 Tim. 3: 16, "Jι ified in the spirit (ev avevuati).11*

From these citations, it is clear, that the Greek article does not of itself, necessarily, indicate anything as to the quality, nature, or essence of the noun with which it stands connected but these must be ascertained from other sources. What other aids have we in respect to the word πνευμα? Besides the general scope of the context, there are both epithets and attributive or limiting clauses. Thus, to "spirit," we have added, "unclean," "dumb," "deaf," "evil," "demoniacal," "pythonic," &c .- also "holy," "of God," "of Christ," "of the Lord," "of adoption," "of his son," &c. By these and such like tests, and not by the use or omission of the article, must we determine the quality, nature, or essence of the πνευμα, in any place. The article may or may not be used with any one of these expressions. This will depend upon its logical, that is, its syntactical relation in the thought of the speaker or writer. The article is in fact a contrivance of syntax to render words, however general, so individual, distinctive, or definite, as that they may be fitted to form the subject of a proposition; hence its introduction or omission will be governed by this general principle, and the same word, therefore, with precisely the same essential signification, will be found with or without the article, according to its syntactical relation in the context.

The uses of the word πνευμα afford ample illustrations of this ruling principle in the Greek language. It means, generally, spirit-neither definite nor specific in itself-but, by the use of some adjunct, it may be rendered so, and then it will take or reject the article according to the general rule of the language. Thus πνευμα becomes definite, because specific, by the adjunct ayiov. The adjective specifies what spirit, and, when placed after the noun, stands in the relation of the Hebrew genitive, and exerts, along with its qualifying sense, also a limiting and individualizing influence upon the noun. Therefore we find avevua, when succeeded by ayiov, uniformly without the article; yet always most specific and definite. There is no room for mistake. Thus (Luke 2:25, 26) it is said of Simeon, that the Holy Spirit was upon him. Here it is πνευμα άγιον, without the article. Yet in the next

revealed to him by the Holy Spirit," &c. (απο του πνευματος του άγιου), with the article before both πνευμα and άγιον, clearly because of the relation which this second introduction of the word sustains to the subject, as already introduced in πνευμα άγιον. The article does not introduce the idea of definiteness, or individuality, but simply demonstrates the avevμα in the second place, as the πνευμα, already named, which was not simply a spirit, but a particular, that is the Holy Spirit. So in the next verse (27), the connection of thought being now clearly and closely established, the specific adjunct άγιον is dropt, as no longer necessary, and we have simply τω πνευματι, the spir & that is, the spirit already referred to, known to be the Holy Spirit, not by the article simply, but by that to which the article refers, to wit, the πνευμα άγιον, first mentioned.

So far from the article being necessary to give definiteness or individuality to πνευμα άγιον, it is its very definite and individual character that enables it to stand without the article. It is a great mistake to suppose that πνευμα άγιον is an abstract noun. Πνευμα alone may be used as an abstract noun, but surely not with the qualifying and specific adjunct

The Christian dispensation, being a dispensation of, or through the Holy Spirit, he is in the very beginning of the kingdom, as it was formally set up on the day of Pentecost, most appositely set forth in his individual, personal, and specific character, as πνευμα άγιον; not an influence of something else, an effect or product of some superior antecedent cause, but a concurring and self-acting personal divine agent, in consummating and completing the work of redemption. Therefore our Saviour said in his farewell discourse (Jno. 14:26), that the Father would send in his, the Son's, name "the advocate," the Holy Spirit, "who should teach them," &c. It is here το πνευμα το άγιον, and in this first chapter of Acts every thing is in perfect keeping with this divine distribution of the parts assigned to the Son and the Spirit respectively, in the salvation of man. In the first verse the commandments given to the apostles are referred to this promised (πνευμα άγιον) Holy Spirit, ὁ παρακλητος. in the 4th verse, the narrative represents the Saviour as commanding them to tarry at Jerusalem till this promise of the Father should be fulfilled-identifying it with the baptism in the Holy Spirit (πνευμα άγιον),—which had been promised by John, the

^{*} In these critical notes, the common version is adopted, for convenience of reference simply.

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this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?

him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at $K'\nu\rho\iota\epsilon$, $\epsilon i \epsilon \nu \tau \hat{\varphi} \chi \rho \dot{\nu} \nu \psi \tau o \dot{\nu} \tau \psi$ Lord, dost thou at this time άποκαθιστάνεις την βασιλείαν restore the kingdom to Israel? 7 And he said unto them, It $\tau \hat{\varphi}$ ' $I\sigma \rho \alpha \dot{\eta} \lambda$; 7 $E \hat{\imath} \pi \epsilon \delta \hat{\epsilon} \pi \rho \hat{\delta} \hat{\epsilon}$ And he said to them, It is not 7

Baptist; and in the 8th verse, in reply to their questions con- of the Greek language, that we need not illustrate it by other Spirit (του άγιου πνευματος) shall have come upon them," &c. Here there can be no mistake. The το πνευμα το άγιον promised in Jno. (14:26)—is the πνευμα άγιον, in which the Harbinger promised, they should be immersed, the same πνευμα άγιον, for which the Saviour bid them to tarry at Jerusalem, and the το άγιον πνευμα, which was to come upon them, in order to endue them with power, &c., as found in v. 8. The identity of the subject indicated by the several expressions πνευμα άγιον, το πνευμα το άγιον, and το άγιον πνευμα, cannot be doubted. To those who think that the idea of the personality of the Spirit was not distinctly held by the Jews, and who yet contend that this idea is only properly and fully conveyed by the expression το πνευμα το άγιον, it may be suggested, that in the only places (three in all), where the expression "Holy Spirit" occurs in the Septuagint, this arrangement of the article with the noun and adjective is uniformly employed. The same form is also used by Peter (in Acts 1:16), to designate the Spirit, prophesying by the mouth of David.

As to the use of the definite English article, the, always before Holy Spirit, it is found necessary in the fact, that we recognize the Spirit's agency always in relation to the Father, and to the Son. We may and do sometimes say "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit," but this rather to unify than to distinguish. Were there scriptural warrant for addressing the Holy Spirit directly, as is sometimes done, we would omit the English article.

Υθατι, -εν Πνευματι Άγιφ. These baptisms, or immersions, are spoken of by Matt. 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; Jno. 1:33; and 1 Cor. 12:13. In all these places the preposition $\varepsilon \nu$ is expressed both before $i\delta \alpha \tau \iota$ and $\pi \nu \varepsilon \nu$ ματι, except that in Luke, where εν is omitted, as in this case, before ύδατι. The insertion or omission, therefore, of the preposition does not alter the construction or the sense; in either case, the noun is the dative of the manner, or the way in which, or after which, or the place or medium in which, the action is performed. Both the preposition $\epsilon \nu$ and the dative case-ending indicate the same primary thought, that of relative place. The Sanscrit has an "implementive or instrumental," a "dative" and a "locative" case, all of which are expressed, in the Greek, by the one, dative. But the primary and distinctive import of all these is "locative." This is also the import of the preposition $\epsilon \nu$, and, therefore, we find the case-ending of the dative, sometimes with, and sometimes without, the preposition, in precisely the same con-

cerning the restoration of the kingdom to Israel (v. 6), he examples. As idan stands to the immersion by John, so tells them, "they shall receive power, after that the Holy precisely does ev πνευματι stand to the immersion by Christ. The relation, in both cases, is expressed by the dative or locative case, and is clearly that of where or in which the action was performed. It should be noted by those who speak of this connection, as the dative of instrument, that whilst the genitive is the whence-case, and the accusative the whither-case, the dative is strictly and properly the wherecase, and can only be used to express instrumentality in a strictly passive sense. It is not properly employed to express concurrent action or co-agency. The action in this case is expressed by "immerse," the agents were John and Christ, the whither or object vuas, those addressed, and the placethat in which, in the action of John, idare, in water, and in the action of Christ, ev Ilvevuare Ayıq, in the Holy Spirit.

There are five distinct conceptions of the Holy Spirit in the Holy Scriptures. The first is his nature, all Divine; the second, his person, distinct from that of the Father and the Son; the third, his office of illuminator and sanctifier; the fourth, his influence; the fifth, his work, peculiarly developed in creation, providence, and redemption.

- 1. In creation he "moved upon the face of the waters," impregnating them with life-giving power; Gen. 1:6. "By his Spirit he has garnished the heavens;" "his hand has formed the crooked serpent;" the milky way; Job 26:13. The Spirit of God has made me, Job 33:4. "The Spirit gave the apostles utterance," Acts 2:4.
- 2. In providence, annually renewing the face of the earth. "Thou sendest forth thy Spirit, and thou renewest the face of the earth." Psalm 104: 30. By the Holy Spirit the humanity of Jesus the Messiah was created out of the person of the Virgin Mary. The Holy Spirit (Πνευμα Άγιον) shall come upon thee, Luke 1:35. Therefore she was found with child by the Holy Spirit, Matthew 1:18. Hence the Christian church commenced by the direct and special influence, or creative power, of the Holy Spirit, Acts 2. The Father sent his Son into the world; the Son promised to send, and did send, with the concurrence of his Father, the Holy Spirit; and, by his gifts vouchsafed to the apostles, they instituted the Christian church, Christ's mystical body, of which he is the living, active, and efficient Spirit.
- 3. In redemption, He is the sanctifier, and comforter, or advocate, of the claims of Messiah, shedding abroad copiously, the love of God in the heart of his people; making intercessions for us with groanings inexpressible, which only he that searches the heart can interpret.

Such are the evangelical developments of the remedial disnection, and in the same sense. This is so common a liberty | pensation, all found in the Divine essence and personalities.

is not for you to know the times or the seasons which the Father hath put in his own power.

- 8 But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.
- 9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

10 And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

12 Then returned they unto

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αὐτοὺς, Οὐχ ὑμῶν ἐστι γνῶναι χρόνους η καιρούς οῦς ὁ Πατηρ έθετο έν τη ιδία έξουσία. 8 άλλα λήψεσθε δύναμιν, έπελθόντος του 'Αγίου Πνεύματος έφ' ύμας, καὶ ἔσεσθέ μοι μάρτυρες ἔν τε [Ιερουσαλήμ καὶ ἐν πάση τῆ 'Ιουδαία καὶ Σαμαρεία καὶ έως έσχάτου της γης. 9 Καὶ ταῦτα είπων, βλεπόντων αὐτῶν ἐπήρθη, καὶ νεφέλη ὑπέλαβεν αὐτὸν ἀπὸ τῶν ὀφθαλμῶν αὐτῶν. 10 καὶ ώς απενίζοντες ήσαν είς τον ούρανον, πορευομένου αύτοῦ, καὶ ίδου άνδρες δύο παρειστήκεισαν αὐτοῖς ἐν ἐσθητι λευκη, 11 οὶ καὶ εἶπον, 'Ανδρες Γαλιλαῖοι, τί έστήκατε έμβλέποντες είς τον ούρανόν; ούτος ὁ Ἰησούς ὁ άναληφθείς άφ' ύμῶν είς τὸν ούρανον, ούτως έλεύσεται ον τρόπον έθεάσασθε αὐτὸν πορευομενον είς τον ουρανόν. 12 Τότε ύπέστρεψαν είς Ίερουσαλημ άπὸ Jerusalem, from the mount called σρους τοῦ καλουμένου Έλαιῶνος, mount called *Olivet, from

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for you to know times or 'occasions, which the Father has reserved for his own disposal. But you shall receive 8 power, after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and you shall be witnesses for *me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the

And when he had spoken 9 these things, while they beheld, he was taken 'up, and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they were 10 gazing winto the heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; who also said, Galile- 11 ans, why stand you gazing into the heaven? This same Jesus, who is taken from you into the heaven, shall so come, in like manner, as you have seen him going into the heaven. Then they rc- 12 turned into Jerusalem, from a

- · Εθετο εν τη ιδια εξουσια; "put in his own power", com. ver.; "appointed in his own authority". These, however literal, are not in the common currency of our present language. Men may place a matter in their own hands-in their own disposal. And by a very common figure, we speak of "reserved rights", we very seldom put, that which we possess, in our own hands. It is, therefore, a figurative expression, tantamount to-reserving or placing in one's own dispensation or disposal. It is, indeed, & fovoia, moral power, or authority of dispensation-at one's own disposal.
- * Δυναμιν, not here εξουσια, moral power or authority, indicative of the powers of the Christian age-"the world that was to come ". There was not only εξουσια, authorityor moral power-but also δυναμις, intellectual strength and miraculous power-equal to their day and work.
- " Mov, for mot, is substituted by the authority of Lachmann and Tischendorf (abbreviated Ln., Tf.). The difference between "my witnesses", and "witnesses for me" is considerable. My

for me". I therefore, a priori, prefer the latter to the former —the text to the emendation.

- " "Was taken up", επηρθη, not ανεληφθη, v. 2, indicating the commencement, not the completion of his ascent. He, it appears from the terminology here employed, gradually and with great dignity, ascended, not as a flash of lightning, nor as a meteor passes away, but slowly and with majesty, that they might clearly perceive and be assured of his return to his native heaven. Several of the old versions read, "And while they were looking steadfastly, as he was going towards heaven".
- w Εις τον ουρανον; into the heaven. In vv. 10, 11, we have this precise formula four times, and, therefore, we must have it just as often in the version. We have also ELS twice in vv. 12, 13, and should have into Jerusalem, and into the upper room, for in both instances they went not only to, or unto, but into Jerusalem, and into the upper room.
 - " "Olivet", olive yard.

r Χρονονς ή καιφονς, "times or occasions". "The seasons | witnesses might depose against me, and not be "witnesses of time, or the exact time", Wakefield.

Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a sabbath-day's journey.

13 And when they were come in, they went up into an upper room, where abode both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and Matthew, James the son of Alpheus, and Simon Zelotes, and Judas the brother of James.

14 These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.

15 And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of the names together were about an hundred and twenty,)

16 Men and brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus.

17 For he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this

18 Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; $|\theta o \hat{v}| = \tau \hat{\eta} s$ $|\delta i \kappa (as)| = \kappa a \hat{i} = \pi \rho \eta \nu \hat{\eta} s$ ward of his iniquity, and he,

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ο έστιν έγγυς Ίερουσαλημ, σαβ-

βάτου ἔχον ὁδόν·

13 Καὶ ὅτε εἰσῆλθον, ἀνέβησαν είς τὸ ὑπερώον οῦ ἦσαν καταμένοντες, ὅ τε Πέτρος καὶ Ἰάκωβος καὶ Ἰωάννης καὶ ᾿Ανδρέας, Φίλιππος καὶ Θωμᾶς, Βαρθολομαίος καὶ Ματθαίος, Ίάκωβος ' Αλφαίου καὶ Σίμων ὁ Ζηλωτὴς, καὶ 'Ιούδας 'Ιακώβου. πάντες ήσαν προσκαρτερουντες όμοθυμαδον τῆ προσευχῆ καὶ τῆ δεήσει, σὺν γυναιξὶ καὶ Μαρία τῆ μητρὶ τοῦ Ἰησοῦ, καὶ σὺν τοῖς ἀδελφοῖς αὐτοῦ.

15 ΚΑΙ έν ταις ήμέραις ταύταις άναστὰς Πέτρος έν μέσφ τῶν $\mu\alpha\theta\eta\tau\hat{\omega}\nu$ $\epsilon\hat{l}\pi\epsilon\nu$ $\hat{\eta}\nu$ $\tau\epsilon$ $\delta\chi\lambda\sigma$ ονομάτων έπιτοαυτο ώς έκατον είκοσιν• 16 " $A\nu\delta\rho\epsilon s$ $\dot{a}\delta\epsilon\lambda\phi\delta i$, έδει πληρωθήναι τὴν γραφὴν ταύτην, ην προείπε το Πνεθμα τὸ Αγιον διὰ στόματος Δαβίδ, περὶ Ἰούδα τοῦ γενομένου ὁδηγοῦ τοις συλλαβοῦσι τὸν Ἰησοῦν· ¹⁷ ὅτι κατηριθμημένος ἦν σὺν ήμιν, καὶ ἔλαχε τὸν κληρον της διακονίας ταύτης. 18 Οδτος μέν οὖν ἐκτήσατο χωρίον ἐκ τοῦ μισREVISED VERSION.

Jerusalem, a sabbath-day's journey. And when they had 13 entered, they went up into the upper room, where abode both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James, son of Alpheus, and Simon Zelotes, and Judas, the brother of James. These 14 were all 'persevering with one consent, in prayer and supplication, with women, with Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

And in those days Peter 15 stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of the names together being about one hundred and twenty), Brethren, this scripture 16 must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit, by the mouth of David, before spoke, concerning Judas, who was guide to them that seized Jesus. For he was numbered 17 with us, and had obtained part of this ministry. (Now a field 18 was purchased with the re-

"having from"; Sabbati habens iter, Vulgate; "distant conjunction between them, with us, they simply indicate from", Syriac; "containing a saboth", Tyndale. So, also, the brethren, which is more Anglo-Saxon than "men brethren". Geneva, "conteyning a sabbath dayes iorney". "Distant a In a brother we always find a man, while sometimes we may

> Men of Galilee, men of Judea, men of Israel, men of Cyprus, men of Macedonia, &c., &c., are, with us, Galileans, Jews, Israelites, Cyprians, Macedonians, &c., &c. Murdock's Syriac has men. The English Rheims ver. of the Vulgate has "you men brethren". Beza, London Ed., 1681, has Viri fratres: Boothroyd's London Ed., 1836, has simply "brethren"; our com. ver. follows Tyndale's; Thompson, "men brethren". We do not say, men and Virginians, men and Pennsylva-

F Exov, having, not = απεχον, distant. Hackett, in loco., | are not two classes, while men and brethren are. Without a sabbath day's journey", Rheims; "distant about seven fur- find a man, but not in him a brother. longs", Syriac Version.

^{*} Προσκαρτερεω signifies, to persist in adherence to, to be intently engaged in, to attend constantly to, Acts 2:42; Rom. 13: 6, &c.; to remain constantly, Acts 2:46; to attend constantly, Mark. 3:9; to continue with, Mark 8:13; 10:7.

[&]quot; Men brethren" occurs some eleven times in this book of Acts. A Hebraism, in our idiom, simply equivalent to brethren. Men, brethren and fathers, is a proper address, when three distinct classes are present; but "men brethren" nians, &c.

and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out.

- 19 And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood.
- 20 For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and, His bishoprick let another take.
- 21 Wherefore of these men which have companied with us, all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,
- 22 Beginning from the bapcism of John, unto that same day that he was taken up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection.
- 23 And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias.
- 24 And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen,
- 25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.

26 And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

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γενόμενος έλάκησε μέσος, καὶ έξεχύθη πάντα τὰ σπλάγχνα αύτοῦ, 19 καὶ γνωστὸν ἐγένετο πᾶσι τοῖς κατοικοῦσιν $I\epsilon$ ρουσαλημ, ωστε κληθηναι το χωρίον έκεινο τη ιδία διαλέκτω αὐτῶν 'Ακελδαμὰ, τουτέστι χωρίον αίματος. 20 γέγραπται γὰρ έν βίβλω Ψαλμών, Γενηθήτω ή έπαυλις αὐτοῦ ἔρημος, καὶ μὴ έστω ὁ κατοικών έν αύτῆ, Καὶ, Την έπισκοπην αύτοῦ λάβοι έτερος. ²¹ Δεῖ οὖν τῶν συνελθόντων ήμιν ανδρών έν παντί χρόνω έν ώ είσηλθε καὶ έξηλθεν $\dot{\epsilon}\phi^{\prime}$ ήμᾶς ὁ κύριος ${}^{\prime}I\eta\sigma$ οῦς, 22 ἀρ ξ άμενος άπὸ τοῦ βαπτίσματος $I\omega$ άννου έως της ημέρας ης άν ϵ λήφθη ἀφ' ἡμῶν, μάρτυρα τῆς άναστάσεως αὐτοῦ γενέσθαι σὺν ήμιν ένα τούτων. 23 Καὶ έστησαν δύο, Ίωσηφ τον καλούμενον Βαρσαβάν, δε έπεκλήθη 'Ιοῦ-³⁴ καὶ προστος, καὶ Ματθίαν. σευξάμενοι εἶπον, Σὰ Κύριε καρδιογνῶστα πάντων, ἀνάδειξον έκ τούτων τῶν δύο ένα ὃν ἐξελέξω 25 λαβείν τον κλήρον τής διακονίας ταύτης καὶ ἀποστολής, έξ ής παρέβη Ἰούδας, πορευθήναι ϵ is τον τοπον τον ίδιον. 26 Kaì έδωκαν κλήρους αυτών, καὶ έπεσεν ὁ κληρος ἐπὶ Ματθίαν, καὶ συγκατεψηφίσθη μετά τῶν ένδεκα ἀποστόλων.

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falling headlong, burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. And it 19 was known to all the dwellers in Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue Aceldama, that is to say, the field of blood.) For it 20 is written in the book of Psalms; Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell in it, and his bepiscopate let another take. Wherefore, of these men that 21 have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, begin- 22 ning from the immersion of John, to the day that he was taken up from us, must one be appointed to be witness with us of his resurrection. And they appointed 'two, Jo- 23 seph, called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. And they dpraying 24 said: Thou Lord, who knowest the hearts of all men, show which of these two thou hast chosen, to take a part in this 25 ministry and an Apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place. And 26 they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was numbered 'together with the eleven Apostles.

b Episcopate. This term, being now canonized by Webster, is more apposite than any other word in our currency, to indicate the office of oversight or superintendency. The only question with us is, whether it would not be more intelligible to the masses to say "his office of Superintendant", or with Wiclif, "his bishoprick let another take". Επισποπη = oversight.

[•] $E\sigma\tau\eta\sigma\alpha\nu$ $\delta\nu\sigma$. Literally "they placed two", but idiomatically, they nominated or appointed two.

d Προσευξαμενοι ειπον· "they praying said"

^e Συγκατεψηφιοθη. This indicates more than that he was numbered with. He was numbered together with, i. e. enrolled among them, Beza, Calvin, De Wette, Hackett. The fact here stated justifies the version given of v. 25, "a part in this ministry, and an Apostleship" from which Judas foll. He was a perfect and complete substitute, possessing all the qualifications equally with him. His treachery and fall are thus made to strengthen and complete the apostolic testimony.

CHAP. II.

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

- 2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.
- 3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.
- 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

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ΚΑΙ ἐν τῷ συμπληροῦσθαι τὴν ἡμέραν τῆς Πεντηκοστῆς, ἢσαν ἄπαντες ὁμοθυμαδὸν ἐπιτοαυτό. ² καὶ ἐγένετο ἄφνω ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ ἦχος ὥσπερ φερομένης πνοῆς βιαίας, καὶ ἐπλήρωσεν ὅλον τὸν οἶκον οῦ ἦσαν καθήμενοι ³ καὶ ὤφθησαν αὐτοῖς διαμεριζόμεναι γλῶσσαι ὡσεὶ πυρὸς, ἐκάθισέ τε ἐφ' ἔνα ἔκαστον αὐτῶν, ⁴ καὶ ἐπλήσθησαν ἄπαντες Πνεύματος 'Αγίου, καὶ ἤρξαντο λαλεῖν ἑτέραις γλώσσαις, καθὼς τὸ Πνεῦμα ἐδίδου αὐτοῖς ἀποφθέγγεσθαι. 5° Ήσαν

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CHAP. II.

When the day of Pentecost 1 was fully bcome, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a 2 sound cout of heaven, as of a rushing mighty dwind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues distributed, as of fire, and it sat upon every one of them. And 4 they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them sutterance.

• Hentheosths, from pentheosth = pentheonth, fifty.

The Pentecost commenced the fiftieth day from the first day of unleavened bread—on the morrow after the Paschal Lamb was offered.

- b Συμπληρουσθαι. The verb συμπληροω occurs only three times, and exclusively in Luke's writings—twice in his Gospel and once here—"completely filled". The action of the verb (literally, to be completed) refers to the interval before his arrival. Olsh., Hackett. "And when the days of Pentecost were fully come"; Mur., Syriac Peshito Version. "The morrow after the seventh Sabbath". The Jews were on that day to celebrate a holy convocation according to the law.
- $^{\circ}$ $E\kappa$ rov over avov, literally out of heaven, usually represented from heaven.
- d $H\nu$ oηs βιαιας, a mighty blast; φ ε φ ο μ ενης, a rushing mighty wind; φ ε φ ε σ ϑ αι, rapid and violent motion. H_{χ} os must be regarded here as the nom. case to $\varepsilon \pi \lambda \eta \varphi \omega \sigma \varepsilon \nu$. The echo or sound filled the apartment in which they were assembled. Had it been in the temple it would doubtless have been named. No symbol of spirit known to mankind, is better than the wind. John 3:8.
- "Separate tongues as of fire, and it settled upon each of them", Thompson. "Distinct tongues as of fire, and it sat upon each of them", Wesley. "Tongues which were divided like flame, and they rested upon each of them", Murdock. "Divided tongues as of fire, and a tongue sat on each of them", Boothroyd. He adds, "Calvin, Heinrichs, and many of the older commentators render the participle disparted, or cleft, and suppose it to describe the flame as exhibiting in each instance a tongue-like, forked appearance". Διαμεριζομενι γλωσσαι. Διαμεριζομεν οccurs in the N. T. 12 times, 8 of which are in Luke's writings, translated com. ver. by di-

vided, 5 times; parted, 6 times; cloven, once, (in this passage only). Garments and property are "parted", kingdoms, families, and food, are divided. It would seem apropos, that one tongue was visible on the head of every apostle. Wakefield freely translates it, "And they saw, as it were, tongues of fire, distributing themselves and settling upon them".

f Πνευματος Άγιου; we have πνευμα, το πνευμα, πευμα Άγιον, το Άγιον πνευμα, and το πνευμα το Άγιον in the Christian Scriptures, and samples of each in the book of Acts. These, too, occasionally occur in connection with the third person of the Divinity, or Godhead.

That the same personality is occasionally indicated by each of them, is conceded by all learned men, so far as known to us. Our best Greek texts distinguish them, when supposed to refer to the Holy Spirit, by capital letters.

On a special examination of every passage in this book where these terms occur in Luke's writings, his gospel and his Acts, we find it with the article, τo $\pi \nu \epsilon \nu \mu a$, thirty-two times, without it nineteen times. In almost every case with the article, the Holy Spirit is intended, and sometimes without it.

Now, as there is but one Holy Spirit of a Divine conception in the Christian religion, we are constrained to think that when any one is said to be filled with, or led by a Holy Spirit whether with or without the article, the Spirit of God is intended and intimated. But that Spirit, now as formerly, distributes or confers his graces as he wills, and especially in answer to the prayer of faith. It is God who works in us to will and to do, of his own benevolence—το θελειν και το ενεργειν. Phil. 2:13.

instance a tongue-like, forked appearance". Διαμεριζομεναι σε Αποφθεγγεσθαι is found only in this book, and occurs γλωσσαι. Διαμεριζομαι occurs in the N. T. 12 times, 8 but three times, chap. 2:14; 26:25. In this place it inti-of which are in Luke's writings, translated com. ver. by dimates more than ordinary utterance. "As the Spirit gave

- 5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.
- 6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded. because that every man heard them speak in his own language.
- 7 And they were all amazed, and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak, Galileans?
- 8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?
- 9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,
- 10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

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δε εν Ίερουσαλημ κατοικουντες 'Ιουδαίοι ἄνδρες εύλαβείς άπὸ παντὸς ἔθνους τῶν ὑπὸ τὸν οὐρα-6 γενομένης δὲ τῆς φωνῆς ταύτης, συνηλθε το πληθος καὶ συνεχύθη· ὅτι ἤκουον εἶς ἔκαστος τῆ ἰδία διαλέκτω λαλούντων αὐ-⁷ ἐξίσταντο δὲ πάντες καὶ έθαύμαζον, λέγοντες πρὸς άλλήλους, Ούκ ίδου πάντες ούτοι είσιν οἱ λαλοῦντες Γαλιλαῖοι; 8 καὶ πῶς ἡμεῖς ἀκούομεν ἔκαστος τη ιδία διαλέκτω ήμων έν ή έγεννήθημεν, 9 Πάρθοι καὶ Μῆδοικαὶ Ἐλαμῖται, καὶ οἱ κατοικοῦντες την Μεσοποταμίαν, Ίουδαίαν τε καὶ Καππαδοκίαν, Πόντον καὶ την 'Ασίαν, 10 Φρυγίαν τε καὶ Παμφυλίαν, Αίγυπτον καὶ τὰ μέρη της Λιβύης της κατά Κυρήνην, καὶ οἱ ἐπιδημοῦντες 'Ρωμαίοι, 'Ιουδαίοί τε καὶ προσή-11 Cretes and Arabians, we do $\lambda \nu \tau o i$, $^{11} K \rho \hat{\eta} \tau \epsilon s$ $\kappa \alpha i$ $^{\prime} A \rho \alpha \beta \epsilon s$, Cretes and Arabians,—we hear

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And there were dwelling 5 in Jerusalem Jews, bdevout men, of every nation under heaven. Now when this was 6 noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because 'every one heard them speak in his own And all were a- 7 tongue. mazed, and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not 'all these who speak, Galileans? And how hear we, 8 every man in our own tongue, in which we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elam- 9 ites, and those minhabiting Mesopotamia, — both "Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphilia, 10 and the parts of Lybia about Cyrene, and Roman strangers —both Jews and Proselytes, 11

them to make solemn addresses", Thom. Elsner, on this Acts." It is with us more familiarly rendered tongue. This, passage, quoting Diogenes Laertius, Iamblichus, and Kypke, shows that it is applied specially to indicate oracles or prophetic responses. So used by Josephus, Strabo, and Philo. -See Doddridge. "As the Spirit gave them utterance" has respect to the import of the communications rather than to the fact of their mere powers of speaking, or of expressing themselves.

- h Eυλαβεις occurs but three times in N. T., always rendered devout. Its whole family—ενλαβεια and ενλαβεομαι are found but seven times. It is only in Hellenistic Greek found in this usage. The pious Eneas and the devout Greeks correspond with this use of it. It is probable that the Jews, then sojourners in all nations, were represented in this great anniversary of the giving of their law by men the most pious and devout in their nation.
- i Είς έκαστος: literally each one, but in our usage, every one, is more congenial. In some eighty occurrences in the N. T. it is, with some few exceptions, translated by every one.
- 1 Ιδια διαλεκτω: literally dialect. This word in the Christian scriptures is found but six times, and these are found in "The Otherwise we strongly incline to Idumea.

as in the case of βαπτισμα, we prefer to a mere trans-

- Havres is doubtful, and is rejected by Sch., Ln., and Tf. But Hackett and some others regard it as emphatic. It is, indeed, if genuine, a figure of amplification.
 - 1 $E\nu \tilde{\eta}$ —in which, not, "wherein".
- m For the dwellers, now also obsolete, substitute those inhabiting, as not only more modern, but more indicative of the regimen and more in harmony with it. Inhabit, in our vernacular, is both transitive and intransitive.
- " "Judea". Some eminent critics, such as Dr. Bloomfield and Granville Penn, Esq., regard this as a vitiation of the common reading. "Idumea exactly fits the geographical order of the countries named, Judea does not-Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites; those who inhabit Mesopotamia and Idumea". Besides, it is not likely that, in such a collation of countries, Judea, in which they were assembled, would be named-and named, too, out of its proper place. But Bagster's text, being the standard text, renders this position gratuitous.

the wonderful works of God.

12 And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?

13 Others mocking, said, These men are full of new wine.

14 But Peter, standing up $\mu \in \mu \in \sigma \tau \omega \mu \in \nu \circ \iota \circ \iota \circ \iota \circ \iota$. with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words.

15 For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day.

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel

in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

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hear them speak in our tongues ακούομεν λαλούντων αὐτών ταῖς ήμετέραις γλώσσαις τὰ μεγαλεία τοῦ Θεοῦ; 12 Ἐξίσταντο δὲ πάντες καὶ διηπόρουν, ἄλλος προς άλλον λέγοντες, Τί αν θέλοι τοῦτο εἶναι; 13 Ετεροι δε χλευάζοντες έλεγον, "Οτι γλεύκους

14 Σταθείς δε Πέτρος σύν τοίς ένδεκα, έπηρε την φωνην αύτου, καὶ ἀπεφθέγξατο αὐτοῖς, "Ανδρες 'Ιουδαίοι, καὶ οἱ κατοικοῦντες 'Ιερουσαλημ ἄπαντες, τοῦτο ὑμῖν γνωστον έστω, καὶ ένωτίσασθε τὰ ρήματά μου. 15 οὐ γὰρ ώς ύμεις ύπολαμβάνετε, οθτοι μεθύουσιν έστι γὰρ ώρα τρίτη τῆς ήμέρας· 16 άλλὰ τοῦτό ἐστι τὸ είρημένον διὰ τοῦ προφήτου 17 And it shall come to pass $I \omega \dot{\gamma} \lambda$, $I K \alpha \dot{\epsilon} \sigma \tau \alpha \dot{\epsilon} \nu \tau \alpha \dot{\epsilon} \nu$ έσχάταις ήμέραις, λέγει ὁ Θεὸς, έκχεω ἀπὸ τοῦ πνεῦματός μου έπὶ πᾶσαν σάρκα, καὶ προφητεύσουσιν οί υίοὶ ὑμῶν καὶ αί θυγατέρες ύμων καὶ οἱ νεανίσκοι ύμων δράσεις όψονται, καὶ οί πρεσβύτεροι ύμῶν ἐνύπνια ἐνυREVISED VERSION.

them speaking in our own tongues the emajestic works of God. And they were all 12 amazed and perplexed, saying one to another, What means this? Others (mocking) said, 13 PThey are full of qsweet wine. But Peter, standing up 14 with the eleven, raised his voice, and said to them, Jews, and all you that reside in Jerusalem, be this known to you, and hearken to my words: for 15 these men are not drunk, as you suppose, seeing it is but the third shour of the day. But this is that which was 16 spoken through the prophet Joel, And it shall come to 17 pass, in "the last days, that I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh, and they shall prophesy. Your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream vin dreams:

[·] Τα μεγαλεια is more than mighty, or wonderful. Την μεγαλειοτητα is rendered magnificence, Acts 19:27; majesty, 2 Peter 1:16. In this context, its full import of grandeur is called for. "Wonderful dispensations of God", Thompson; "Wonderful works of God", Wakefield, Boothroyd, Wesley; "Wonders of God", Mur. Syriac.

P Men is supplied in com. vers. Χλευαζοντες is repudiated by Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf., and diaghevasortes substituted.

q Theurous, mustum vinum recens ex uvis expressum et synecdochice, quivis dulcis potus quasi, a sweet wine.-Stockius, Wesley, Thompson, Geneva, Rheims. Musto, Vulgate, Wickliff. New wine, Murdock, cum multis aliis. The Pentecost occurred in June, the First Vintage in August. Consequently, it could not be new wine.

^{*} Ανδοες Ιουδαιοι, Jews; born in Jerusalem, οί κατοικουντες. "Jews, and Jewish converts, or Jews born in Jerusalem, and Foreign Jews." Hackett, cum multis aliis.

[&]quot; Nine o'clock in the morning.

^t Δια, through, not by. V. 16. Υπο frequently indicates by, as an author; but dia, through, as an agent, or messenger So Vigerius, p. 670, Sec. 6, "cum dativo, ut plurimum redditur sub ".

[&]quot; In these writings, "the last days" generally, if not always, indicate the Christian age. Indeed, the conclusion of the Jewish dispensation was the commencement of the Christian. As the morning star sets in day, so did the Harbinger decrease as the sun of righteousness arose with healing in his wings. Jesus Christ is, in this view of the premises, properly said to have "Appeared in the end of the world", to put away sin-offerings by the sacrifice of himself.

[&]quot; "Shall dream dreams", or dream with dreams; for evunvious Mill gives εννπνια. With Prof. Hackett and some other translators, we, in this case, prefer Griesbach's text.

18 And on my servants, and on my hand-maidens, I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:

19 And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke.

20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come.

21 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord, shall be saved.

22 Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles, and wonders, and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know:

the determinate counsel and σμένη βουλή καὶ προγνώσει τοῦ declared counsel and fore-

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πνιασθήσονται. τούς δούλους μου καὶ έπὶ τὰς δούλας μου, έν ταις ήμέραις έκείναις έκχεω άπο του πνευματός μου, καὶ προφητεύσουσι. 19 καὶ δώσω τέρατα έν τῷ οὐρανῷ ἄνω, καὶ σημεία έπὶ της γης κάτω, αξμα καὶ πῦρ καὶ ἀτμίδα καπνοῦ. 20 ὁ ήλιος μεταστραφήσεται είς σκότος, καὶ ή σελήνη εἰς αἷμα, πρὶν ἢ ἐλθεῖν τὴν ἡμέραν κυρίου την μεγάλην καὶ ἐπιφανη. 21 καὶ έσται, πας δς αν επικαλέσηται τὸ ὄνομα κυρίου, σωθήσεται. 22 "Ανδρες Ισραηλίται, άκούσατε τους λόγους τούτους 'Ιησοῦν τὸν Ναζωραῖον, ἄνδρα ἀπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἀποδεδειγμένον εἰς ύμας δυνάμεσι καὶ τέρασι καὶ σημείοις, οἷς έποίησε δι' αὐτοῦ ὁ Θεὸς ἐν μέσφ ὑμῶν, καθώς καὶ 23 Him, being delivered by $\alpha \dot{v} \tau \dot{o} i \delta \alpha \tau \epsilon$, $^{23} \tau \dot{o} \dot{v} \tau \dot{o} v \tau \dot{\eta} \dot{\omega} \rho i$

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18 $\kappa \alpha i \gamma \epsilon \epsilon \pi i$ and on my man servants, and 18 my maid servants, in those days I will pour out of my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And 19 I will show wonders in the heavens wabove, and signs on the earth beneath-blood and fire, and smoky vapor. The 20 sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and illustrious day of the Lord come. And it shall come to pass, that 21 every one who shall call upon the name of the Lord, shall be ysaved. Israelites, hear these 22 words: Jesus, the Nazarene, a man approved of God among you, by miracles, and wonders, and signs, which God did by him, in the midst of you (as you, yourselves also know)him having seized, who, by the 23

That the person, mission, and work of the Lord Jesus Christ was declared, promulged, marked out and defined, in the Law, the Prophets, and the Psalms, no enlightened Christian can or will deny. In cases of this sort, our rule in translation is to give, not a particular, or a private interpretation, but either a generic, or a specific one, as the case may clearly indicate. We have the genus, the species, and the individual in words, and their acceptations, as we have in animals or plants. Where there is no reasonable doubt, we prefer the precise individual meaning, clearly indicated in the context; next to this, the specific; and when neither is clearly indicated, the generic sense; thus giving an equal chance to every one to form his own judgment of the word or sentence, as to the meaning of the Spirit.

Christ Jesus being the centre and circumference of the Bible, the Alpha and the Omega of the whole volume of God, of whom Moses in the Law, and all the Prophets, the Evangelists, and the Apostles, spoke and wrote, the sun of the spiritual and the moral universe, the testimony which God the Father has given of him, is the spirit of the whole oracle or testimony of God. Rev. 19:10.

Όριζω occurs eight times in the N. T. represented by determinate, Luke 22:22; ordain, declare, limit. See Acts 10:42; 11:29; 17:26, 31; Romans 1:4; Heb. 4:7.

w Peter inserts ανω, σημεία, κατω, not in the Hebrew.

[&]quot; Smoky vapor", Thompson. "Clouds of smoke". The τερατα και σημεία have placed in apposition to them, άιμα, πυρ, ατμιδα καπνου, i. e. the prodigies and signs are blood, fire, and smoky vapor. These are but the portents of the destiny, and not the desolations of the Jerusalem that then was. Such are the τερατα εν τφ ουρανφ, and the σημεια επι της γης.

y Σωθησεται, shall be saved from the then impending judgments. The context gives it this meaning in this place, though usually in this Book of Acts, it refers to the future and eternal salvation.

^{*} Ωρισμένη βουλη και προγνωσει Θέου. In this phrase δρίζω is emphatic and important. It is defined by the words determine, ordain, declare, limit, in our com. ver., Luke 22:22; Acts 10:42. Which of these four shall be selected in any given passage is, of course, according to the context, in the judgment of the translator; and that, generally, is according to his analogy of faith. But to these four definitions may be added-termino, finio, definio, do definitionem rei, Aristotle, Scapula, Robertson. To define, and to declare, are its most etymological and general acceptations.

foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:

24 Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

25 For David speaketh concerning him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face; for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:

26 Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also, my flesh shall rest in hope:

27 Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither GREEK TEXT.

Θεοῦ ἔκδοτον λαβόντες, διὰ χειρων ανόμων προσπήξαντες ανείλετε 24 ον ο Θεος ανέστησε, λύσας τὰς ώδινας τοῦ θανάτου, καθότι ούκ ην δυνατον κρατείσθαι αὐτὸν ὑπ' αὐτοῦ. 25 Δαβὶδ γὰρ λέγει εἰς αὐτὸν, Προωρώμην τον Κύριον ένωπιον μου διά παντός δτι έκ δεξιων μου έστιν, ίνα μη σαλευθώ· 26 διὰ τοῦτο εὐφράνθη ή καρδία μου, καὶ ήγαλλιάσατο ή γλωσσά μου· έτι δὲ καὶ ἡ σάρξ μου κατασκηνώσει glad: moreover my flesh shall rest in hope, that thou wilt λείψεις την ψυχήν μου είς άδου,

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*knowledge of God was yielded bup, you have, by wicked hands, crucified and slain, 24 whom God has raised up, having loosed the bands of death, because it was impossible that he should be held under it. For David speaks for 25 dhim: I have always regarded the Lord, as before my face; for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved. Therefore did my heart re- 26 joice, and my tongue was rest in hope, that thou wilt 27 not leave my soul among the 'dead, neither wilt thou suffer

- a Hooyvwais occurs but twice in the Christian scriptures. In both cases it refers to God's foreknowledge. This, indeed, in condescension to our modes of viewing events. To a being inhabiting eternity-to whom all things past, present, and to come are ever and alike present-foreknowledge or past knowledge applies not. Eternity past and future are a nunc stans, an everlasting now. Does not he "inhabit eternity"? Is. 57:15.
- b Εκδοτον—deditus, yielded up. This is literal, but, being a much litigated passage, we prefer being literal to a fault.
- · Bonds, bands, cords, pangs, have been by divers translators and critics regarded as appropriate representatives of ωδινας. With much probability Beza conjectures that as the Hebrew אבלה, with the variation of one little point, may indifferently signify pains or bonds, the former is here preferred, because agreeing best with the connection-else it must signify the confinement to which the pains of death had brought him. Dodd., compare Matth. 24:15. Rev. 17:1.—But as the bands of death better agree with what follows we prefer it. Again there seems to be an allusion to David's triumph over the Philistines, or over Saul, supposed to be described, Ps. 18:5. in these words :---

The cords of Hades enclosed me, The snares of death were laid for me, In my distress I called upon Jehovah, —Then the earth shook and trembled, The foundation of the mountains rocked.

We prefer this view of it, as appropriate to Christ's resurrection.

- d Eis autov:-for him, or in reference to him, impersonating him.
- · Ori com. ver. is frequently rendered by for, that, because, "because that". The last of these is as redundant as for to.

That is most generally adapted to declare its full sense, and in better taste than because, or because that. Vigerius on ore and rouver, p. 547. London, 1824.

f Eis άδου. Such is the reading of the selected Gr. text. But, although in the main we regard it as the best Ed. of the N. T., we cannot uniformly conform to it. In this case we prefer εις άδην, the marginal reading adopted by Griesbach. Lachmann, and Tischendorf. The object of this hope was, that his soul or life would not be lost among the dead. "In hope that thou wilt not leave, &c., not "because".

Aδηs is by Romanists and some Protestants frequently rendered hell. The king's translators of the Bible render שאול, sheol, in the Old Testament, hell. Yet, says Leigh, in his Critica Sacra, "All learned men know that grave is more proper than hell. The Hebrews had no word proper to indicate hell, as Christians understand it. They had Tophet and Gehinnom. The Hebrew Sheol signifies a place dark and obscure, where nothing can be seen. Job calls it "the land of darkness". The Romans had their infernal, as well as their supernal regions, their Orcus and their Plutonic realms.

Christians believe and teach, that there is a Heaven, a Hades, and a Gehenna. Their Hades is a state of separation of body and spirit. The body returns to the earth whence it was created, and the spirit returns to God who gave it. This separation continues till the Resurrection of the dead. Then the wicked dead shall be turned into Gehenna, and the righteous shall ascend to their Father and their Savior, and continue forever with them. The Apostolic use of this word, and their application of the saying of our Lord, "Thou wilt not leave my soul in hades, nor suffer thy Holy One to see corruption", indicate that Jesus, the Messiah, was not in his body to perish, not even to decompose; and though really dead, and his body interred, should see no corruption; but, as from a

wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

28 Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.

29 Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with ve unto this day.

30 Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

31 He seeing this before, spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corrupGREEK TEXT.

ούδε δώσεις τον δσιόν σου ίδειν ²⁸ έγνώρισάς μοι διαφθοράν. όδους (ωης πληρώσεις με εύφροσύνης μετὰ τοῦ προσώπου σου. 29 'Ανδρες άδελφοὶ, έξον είπειν μετά παρρησίας πρός ύμας περί τοῦ πατριάρχου Δαβίδ, ὅτι καὶ ἐτελεύτησε καὶ ἐτάφη, καὶ τὸ μνημα αὐτοῦ ἐστιν ἐν ημίν ἄχρι της ημέρας ταύτης. 30 προφήτης οὖν ὑπάρχων, καὶ εἰδως ὅτι ὅρκω ωμοσεν αυτώ ὁ Θεος, έκ καρποῦ της όσφύος αὐτοῦ τὸ κατὰ σάρκα άναστήσειν τον Χριστον, καθίσαι έπὶ τοῦ θρόνου αὐτοῦ, 31 προϊδών ϵ λάλησε περὶ τη̂s he, foreseeing this, spoke of 31 άναστάσεως του Χριστου, ότι the resurrection of the Christ, οὐ κατελείφθη ή ψυχή αὐτοῦ εἰς that his soul should not be \mathring{a} δου, οὐδ $\grave{\epsilon}$ $\mathring{\eta}$ σ \grave{a} ρ ξ αὐτο \mathring{v} εἶδ ϵ left among the "dead, nor his

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thy Holy One to see corruption. Thou hast made 28 known to me the ways of life: thou wilt make me full of joy with thy presence. Brethren, let me freely speak 29 to you of the Patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us to this day. But 30 being a prophet, and sknowing that God had "sworn to him, that of the fruit of his loins he would raise up the Christ, to sit on his throne;

state of suspended animation, would awaken and resume his | -both official and perfect equivalents in their respective whole personality. He was, therefore, but some thirty-seven hours in the grave, portions of three days and three nights.

- ⁵ Ειδως, active, De Wette; knowing, Hackett.
- h Ορκω ωμοσεν: literally, had sworn with an oath, covenanted with David .- Covenants and oaths are, in the ancient Jews' usage, in reference to God and man, used as equivalents. Ps. 89: 3. "I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn to David." Still, in an exact version, the latter is to be preferred to the former.
- ί Το κατα σαρκα αναστησειν τον Χριστον seem to be redundant after oogvos avrov-they are, however, retained by Scholz, and in the selected text of Mill, Bagster's Edition. A majority of Editors omit them.

The whole answer to the whole question given by Peter, to whom were vouchsafed "the keys" of the kingdom, or reign of heaven, commands the profound regard of all mankind. Being honored by the great Master with such a conspicuous position, does not his whole conduct in the premises merit the most profound respect for the answer he gave under this plenary inspiration and direction?

- 1 Hoordow: He foreseeing this. It is thus rendered, Gal. 3: 8, com. ver. And the scripture foreseeing that, com. ver., foreseeing this, Dodd., Booth., Rheims .- He spoke prophetically, Thom. And he foresaw, Mur. He saw before, Tyndal.

tongues. It is not a Christ nor a Messiah. And as both titles belong to one and the same person, it behoves that he stand in the same rank in both. Although there were many Christs, or anointed kings and priests, that preceded and prefigured him, still he alone is the Christ of God. He was promised and prefigured as the prophet, the High Priest, and the King of Zion, equally the son and the Lord of David. The Jews and the Christians so received and represented the Messiah. The controversy was, Is Jesus of Nazareth the Messiah-the Christ of God? To maintain this was the main drift of all apostolic preaching and teaching. So important is it, then, that it should stand before all men in the proper attitude. In reading the five historical books of the Christian religion, every intelligent reader must have observed that the issue concerning Jesus of Nazareth is, Is he, or is he not, the Christ of whom Moses in the law, and all the prophets wrote?

- 1 Πνευμα is found some 400 times, but never represented by soul, or life. A man may lose his soul or life, but can never lose his spirit. Hence no such intimation as the loss of a spirit is found in the Bible. The spirit is, indeed, the man proper, and never can die, any more than an angel spirit. There will be spiritual bodies for human spirits; "for there is a spiritual body as well as animal body." It is worthy of notice here, v. 31, that $\dot{\eta}$ $\psi v \chi \eta$ avrov is rejected from the text by the celebrated collators, Griesbach, Lachmann, and Tischendorf.
- " Εις άδου-η ψυχη αυτου: "That he" (Christ) " was not left "The Christ". The Messiah. These are equivalent names in Hades," Booth., "that his life was not left in the grave,"

32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

34 For David is not ascended into the heavens, but he saith himself, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

35 Until I make thy foes thy footstool.

36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?

38 Then Peter said unto them, αδέλφοί; ³⁸ Πέτρος δὲ ἔφη πρὸς Repent, and be baptized every αὐτους, Μετανοήσατε, καὶ βαπ-

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32 τοῦτον τον Ίηδιαφθοράν. σοῦν ἀνέστησεν ὁ Θεὸς, οδ πάντες ήμεις έσμεν μάρτυρες. 33 τη δεξια οὖν τοῦ Θεοῦ ὑψωθεὶς, τήν τε έπαγγελίαν τοῦ Αγίου Πνεύματος λαβών παρά τοῦ πατρός, έξέχεε τοῦτο ο νῦν ὑμεῖς βλέπετε 34 ού γὰρ Δαβὶδ καὶ ἀκούετε. ανέβη είς τους ούρανους, λέγει δέ αὐτὸς, Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τῷ κυρίφ μου, Κάθου έκ δεξιών μου. 35 έως αν θω τους έχθρούς σου ύποπόδιον τῶν ποδῶν σου. 36 'Ασφαλῶς οὖν γινωσκέτω πᾶς οἶκος Ἰσραὴλ, ότι κύριον καὶ Χριστὸν αὐτὸν ὁ Θεὸς ἐποιήσε, τοῦτον τὸν Ἰησοῦν ον ύμεις έσταυρώσατε.

37 'Ακούσαντες δε κατενύγησαν τῆ καρδία, εἶπόν τε προς τον Πέτρον καὶ τοὺς λοιποὺς ἀποστόλους, Τί ποιήσομεν, ἄνδρες ἀδελφοί; 38 Πέτρος δε ἔφη πρὸς REVISED VERSION.

flesh see corruption. Jesus has "God raised up, of which we are all owitnesses. Therefore, being exalted by 33 the right phand of God, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he was shedding oforth this which you now see and near. For 34 David is not ascended into the heavens; but he himself says, The Lord said to my Lord: Sit thou on my right hand, till 35 I make thy foes thy footstool. Let all the house of Israel, 36 therefore, assuredly know, that God has constituted that same Jesus, whom you have rerucified, Lord and Christ. Now when they neard this, they 37 were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter, and to the other Apostles, Brethren, what shall we do? Then Peter 38 said to them, Reform and be

Wakefield, "not lett in the mansion of the dead," Thom., "his soul should not be left in the unseen world," Dodd., "that his soul should not be left in hell," Rheims. "Not left in Death," Penn. The words "his soul" are omitted by A.B.C.D, Syriac, Coptic, Æthiopic, and Vulgate. Adam Clark. But $\acute{\eta}$ $\psi\nu\chi\eta$ is found in the text, selected as the most approved

H $\psi v \chi \eta$ is 110 times, translated life and soul, one mind, and once heart, and heartily.

" God is never called a ψυχη. But he is emphatically called by his own son—Πνευμα. Not a spirit but Spirit. God is never called a Holy Ghost, but there is a Holy Word and a Holy Spirit of equal divinity, power, and glory, with himself. There is Jehovah God, the Father, and Jehovah God, the Son, and Jehovah God, the Holy Spirit, in the Christian revelations. Such were not the Jewish; but such are the Christian revelations and manifestations of Jehovah Elohim.

The following profound note on his Deus—El, Eloah, Elohim, is worthy of a place here:—Duo haec nomina conjuncta distinguunt verum Deum a falso nominatis Diis, Deut. 10:17; Dan. 2:47; 11:36.—Elohim significat relationem quandam Dei ad creaturas, designat, nomen, dominium, et potentiam Dei, auctoritatem et vim quam exerit in mundo. Critici Sacri, p. 11. Printed, London, 1650. A. D.

° Ob $\pi a \nu \tau \epsilon_5$ &c. of which (fact) we all are witnesses. The resurrection of Jesus, being the consummating act of approval of his innocence of the charges alleged against him, is here made conspicuous, being affirmed by all the apostles present from the sensible demonstrations which they had of it.

P T_{T} $\delta\epsilon\xi\epsilon \alpha$: Dative of the instrument. By the right hand of God exalted.

Some versions have to the right hand of God. Booth., Dodd. Penn.—at the right hand of God.—Wakefield, Thompson.—By the right hand of God. Wic., Tyndale, Cran., Gen., Rheims Murd.

- ^q Εξεχεε: "sent forth this gift", Murd. "Shed forth", Tyndale, Cranmer, Geneva, Dodd. It is well represented by shed or, rather, "was shedding," by some regarded as here indicative of a continued act—at the time of his speaking. For it occurred while he was yet speaking.
- r "Both" appears to be redundant—for "made that same Jesus"—we prefer "constituted" that same Jesus Lord and Christ.
- Μετανοησατε καὶ βαπτισθητω ἐκαστος ὑμων. Reform, not repent, is the first part of the response, or the first step after faith. No apostle ever employs any part of the νετο μεταμελομαι, literally indicating repent, in any exhortation to saint

Christ, for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

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one of you in the name of Jesus τισθήτω εκαστος ύμων έπὶ τω ονόματι Ίησοῦ Χριστοῦ εἰς ἄφεσιν άμαρτιων καὶ λήψεσθε την δωρεάν τοῦ Αγίου Πνεύματος. 39 ύμιν γάρ έστιν ή έπαγγελία καὶ τοῖς τέκνοις ὑμῶν, καὶ πᾶσι τοίς είς μακράν, όσους άν προσκαλέσηται κύριος ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν. the Lord our God shall call.

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immersed, every one of you, in the "name of Jesus Christ, vfor the remission of sins, and you shall receive the wgift of the Holy Spirit. For the 39 promise is to you, and to your children, and to all those that are afar off, even as many as

or sinner, in the whole of their reported labors in the N. Testament. Yet that word is found in the Christian Scriptures as in use by Paul and Matthew. They never used it in preaching the gospel. They commanded all men everywhere to reform-"to turn to God"-"to do the first works"-"To cease to do evil"; to bring forth works meet for faith; a change of views. a change of heart, and a new life. The μετανοια family appear fifty-eight times, in the New Testament, and the usrausloual family only five times!! There is, indeed, an outward reformation of life, not proceeding from evangelical faith, of considerable value in a worldly point of view, but which is not akin to that reformation, or repentance into life, preached and expounded in the Christian Scriptures.

Evangelical repentance is summed up Acts 2:38-41. Principles lie aback of these acts, which are developed, or perfected in the details given. And specially the question propounded in some particular cases applies to every Christian or immersed person. "Into what were you immersed?" Acts 19:3-5. They responded, Εις το Ιωαννου βαπτισμα, Into John's baptism. He preached to them the gospel. They now understood and believed it. And what then? Εβαπτισθησαν εις το ονομα του Kugiov Indov, They were immersed into the name of the Lord Jesus.

Reform, and be immersed. Metavoquate. Metavoew, the verb, and μετανοια, the noun, occur frequently in the Christian Scriptures, the former 34 times, the latter 24 times. They are uniformly translated in the com. ver. by one and the same word—the verb by repent, and the noun by repentance. This is manifestly wrong, inasmuch as we, in so doing, stultify the Spirit of inspiration by employing one word, when he employs two. He uses μεταμελομαι as well as μετανοεω. The Holy Spirit in commanding sinners, always employs μετανοεω. In speaking of evangelical repentance, he never uses μεταμελομαι; this word is found only five times in the N. T. It is used in the case of Judas, who repented without reformation, but never occurs in any case of conversion or change of moral conduct. Christians are said to repent, in the sense of μεταμελομαι, when they merely grieve, or are sorry for something done. Paul in this sense repented. "I do not repent, said he, though I did repent", that I wrote to you.

In preaching what is usually called repentance, no inspired person ever used μεταμελομαι, but always μετανοεω. The former indicating only painful retrospections of the past, accompanied | most estimable | lexicographers and concordances.

with fearful anticipations of the future. A change of views, a change of feelings, or of the affections, and a change of life, or of conduct, are all implied and commanded by John, by Jesus and his apostles, in preaching repentance, or rather, a reformation of purpose, of affections, and of conduct towards God, all of which are indicated and implied in μετανοια.

Meraushera is not found at all in the Christian Scriptures. The verb is only used five times in the Greek text of the Christian oracles, and one of these in reference to Judas, when he returned to the Chief Priests and Elders the price of the betrayal of his master.

- * See N. j, 1:5.
- " Επιτω ονοματι: This indicates authority; and in such cases is well represented by our prepositions in or upon; in the name, or upon the name of the Lord be immersed every one of you-eis, immediately following, intimates transition into a new state, or relation; such as matrimony, citizenship, servitude, or freedom.
- v Eis is found some 1700 times in the N. Test. translated by into, unto, for, to, in order to; its most common version, cum verbis significantibus motum. We have the phrase εις άδου but this only as an abbreviated formula for εις οιπον άδου, Scapula. V. 37. Eis ageow. We enter into contracts, states, conditions-into marriage, into servitude, into freedom, into Christ, into the church, into heaven. Eis and ev can never be substituted the one for the other. As any one in any state cannot enter into it, so he that is commanded to repent, or to reform, or to be baptized sig-for, in order to, or into any state, condition, or relation, cannot be supposed to be already in that state, condition, or relation, into which he is commanded to enter; or for which, as a subject, he is to become, he is to do, or he is to suffer, anything. Hence those immersed by Peter were immersed into Christ, into a relation, and into privileges not secured to them before.

Eis immediately following and indicating transition, not rest, like ev, intimates an important change, if not in the character, at least in the state of the proper subject of this Divine Law, or Ordinance of admission.

▼ Την δωρεαν του Άγιου Πνευματος. Δωρεα indicates the freest and most benignant gifts; while δωρον means a legal gift or offering, which law or custom enacts. So witness our

40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

41 Then they that gladly received his word, were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.

44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common;

45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.

46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of

GREEK TEXT.

 40 ' $E au\epsilon
ho$ ois $au\epsilon$ λόγοις πλείοσι διεμαρτύρετο καὶ παρεκάλει λέγων, Σώθητε άπὸ τῆς γενεᾶς τῆς σκολιᾶς ταύτης. 41 Οἱ μὲν οὖν άσμένως άποδεξάμενοι τον λόγον αὐτοῦ έβαπτίσθησαν καὶ προσετέθησαν τη ημέρα έκείνη ψυχαί ώσεὶ τρισχίλιαι.

42 Ησαν δέ προσκαρτερούντες τη διδαχή των ἀποστόλων καὶ τῆ κοινωνία καὶ τῆ κλάσει τοῦ ἄρτου καὶ ταῖς προσευχαῖς. ⁴³ ἐγένετο δὲ πάση ψυχῆ φόβος, πολλά τε τέρατα καὶ σημεῖα διὰ τῶν ἀποστόλων έγίνετο. 44 πάντες δε οί πιστεύοντες ήσαν έπὶ τὸ αὐτὸ, καὶ είχον απαντα κοινά, 45 και τά κτήματα καὶ τὰς ὑπάρξεις ἐπίπρασκον, καὶ διεμέριζον αὐτὰ πᾶσι, καθότι ἄν τις χρείαν εἶχε· 46 καθ' ήμέραν τε προσκαρτερούντες όμοθυμαδον έν τῷ ἱερῷ, κλῶντές τε κατ' οἶκον ἄρτον, μετελάμβανον τροφης έν άγαλλιάσει καὶ άφελόREVISED VERSION.

And with many other words 40 he testified, and exhorted, saying, Save yourselves from this froward generation.

They, therefore, having 41 gladly received the *word, were rimmersed; and the same day there were zadded about three thousand souls. And they perseveringly con- 42 tinued in the Apostle's teaching, and in the *contribution, and in the breaking of the loaf, and in the prayers. And fear came upon every 43 soul; and many wonders and signs were done by the Apostles. And all that be- 44 lieved were together, and had all things common, and sold 45 their possessions and goods, and distributed them to all, as any one had need. And 46 they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their food with gladness and singleness of 47 Praising God, and having τητι καρδίας, 47 αινουντές τον heart. praising God, and hav- 47

* Tov loyov: The word—the message. See chap. 1, v. 1, | The Apostles' doctrine and fellowship. With that combination, we should have had, regularly, the genitive after the second noun, without a repetition of the article. See W., §18, 4. Some (Vulg., Bloomf.,) assume a hendiadys: the communion in the breaking of bread. The analysis is not only awkward, but opposed by τη before κλασει. - τη κλασει του αρτου denotes the breaking of the bread, as performed at the Lord's Supper". See 20:7, 11; 1 Cor. 10:16. The expression itself may designate an ordinary meal, as in Luke 24:35; but that here would be an unmeaning notice. There can be no doubt that the Eucharist, at this period, was preceded uniformly by a common repast, as was the case when the ordinance was in stituted. Most scholars hold that this was the prevailing usage in the first centuries after Christ. We have traces of that practice in 1 Cor. 11, 20, sq., and, in all probability, in v. 46 below. The bread only being mentioned here, the Catholics appeal to this passage as proving that their custom of distributing but one element (the cup they withhold from the laity) is the Apostolic one. It is a case obviously in which the leading act of the transaction gives name to the transaction itself ".- Hackett.

of this book: "The message", "the gospel", or "the word of life" is generally presented in, or by this term, often expressive of the To Ευαγγελιον.

⁷ See N. j. 1:5.

^{*} The supplement to them is pleonastic, and better omitted. It is italicised by Wesley, omitted by Wakefield and others.

^{*} Kowwwia occurs in the N. T. 20 times; translated fellowship 12 times, communion 4 times, contribution and distribution, communication and communicate severally once. There is communion in all acts of social worship, in observing not the Lord's supper alone, but in prayer, praise, the meeting on the Lord's day, and in contributions for the poor saints, or in contributions to a Missionary fund-the Bible Union, or to any grand humane enterprise. See Rom. 15:26; 2 Cor. 9:13. The contribution of money for the wants of the brotherhood, appears to be its import in this passage as in Rom. 15:16. Paul desired Philemon to have communion with him in aid of Onesimus, a servant.

[&]quot;The English version unites anoorolwv with both nouns:

favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

CHAP. III.

Now Peter and John went up together into the temple, at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.

2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the

GREEK TEXT.

Θεον καὶ ἔχοντες χάριν πρὸς ing favor with all the people. όλον του λαόν. Ο δε κύριος προσετίθει τους σωζομένους καθ' ήμέραν τη έκκλησία.

CHAP. III.

'ΕΠΙ τὸ αὐτὸ δέ Πέτρος καὶ 'Ιωάννης άνέβαινον είς τὸ ίερον έπὶ τὴν ὧραν τῆς προσευχῆς τὴν έννάτην. ² καί τις άνηρ χωλος έκ κοιλίας μητρος αύτου υπάρχων έβαστάζετο δυ ετίθουν καθ ήμεραν πρὸς τὴν θύραν τοῦ ἱεροῦ daily laid at the gate of the την λεγομένην 'Ωραίαν, τοῦ αἰ- $\tau \epsilon \hat{\imath} \nu \epsilon \lambda \epsilon \eta \mu o \sigma \dot{\nu} \nu \eta \nu \pi \alpha \rho \dot{\alpha} \tau \hat{\omega} \nu \epsilon \dot{\iota}$ tiful, "to ask alms of those 'en-

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And the Lord daily added the bsaved to the congregation,

CHAP. III.

Now Peter and John went 1 up together into the temple, at the hour of dprayer-the ninth hour. And a certain 2 man, lame from his birth, 'was carried thither, whom they temple, which is called Beau-3 Who, seeing Peter and John σπορευομένων είς τὸ ἱερόν. 3 ος tering into the temple, who, 3

b Tovs σωζομενους. "The Greek asserts not a purpose | but a fact", Hackett. They were actually saved, not to be saved. Tovs ow 50 μενους. "The saved", those that "were saved", Boothroyd; "That were cured", Thom.; "who were saved", Dodd.

· Εχκλησια is represented in the com. ver. by Church, singular and plural, 112 times; by assembly, three times, neither of which in our tongue exactly represents the word, which etymologically indicates the called out, or a community called out from the world, while, living in it; Church, being a compound of xvoios and oinos = xvoioix compounded: whence Kyrke, is applicable to a material building for the Lord, as well as to the community which meets in it. The word Congregation is also too vague, for it indicates merely an assembly. Still in the appropriated currency of our day and people, and because of its indicating a community assembled, or a congregation in one place, it, better than any other word in our currency, intimates its evangelical significance. We, therefore, after much reflection, give it our suffrage, and would so have it represented in all the Christian Scriptures. Add to N. v., p. 17.-For eis we prefer for to any other representative in this language, because of its present use; inasmuch as to, into and unto, its other representatives, would not more fully or clearly represent it with the article here found-"for the remission of sins". The word occurs over 1750 times in the Christian Scriptures, represented in the N. T. by to, into, unto, for, at. When indicating any means to any end, for is its generally current value. Hence we find—"for a testimony", "for a memorial", "for a sign", "for a journey", "for a witness", "for remission", "for a possession", &c., &c.

d "And Peter and John were going up to the temple at the last hour of prayer", Penn's Ver., London, 1836; "at the

hour of prayer, the ninth hour", Wesley; "being at the ninth hour", Dod.; "at the ninth hour", Wiclif; "ninth hour of prayer", Rheims, Tyndale, Cranmer, Geneva; "being the ninth hour", Murdock; "at that hour of prayer", Wakefield; "now at the same time, that Peter and John, were going up to the temple, at the hour of prayer, at the ninth hour", Thompson; "at the last hour of prayer".-The Vatican Manuscript alone reads "last".-Not noticed by Wetstein, Granville Penn, London, 1837.

Την εννατην. The believing Jews, not being yet separated from their Jewish brethren religiously, respected their institutions. Regarding six o'clock as their sunrise, or first hour of the day, the ninth hour, here named, corresponds with our three o'clock P.M. This hour was consecrated to their evening sacrifice. The Jewish converts to Jesus Christ, for some considerable time religiously observed some of their own peculiar institutions.

- Βαστάζω, com. ver. renders by carry, bear, take up. The verb being here found in the imperfect tense indicates an imperfect act. He was being carried not there-but thither.
- ^f Έπίθουν is also imperfect, because it states what is customary.
- "Beauty Gate", Ωραλαν, Thompson; "specious", Rheims. -Την λεγομενην ωραιων-called Beautiful. This gate was on the East side of the temple. Its immense folding doors -of Corinthian brass-some 75 feet high and 60 broad covered with plates of Gold and Silver, were, at the rising sun, most beautiful-indeed, beyond description.
- h του αιτειν-is usually called a Telic infinitive, denoting the purpose or final cause—equivalent to wa, onws, in order to ask.
- 1 Παρα των εισπορενομενων, from those in the act of entering, not yet entered into the temple
 - 1 Os here, as elsewhere, often stands for ovvos-this one.

about to go into the temple, asked an alms.

- 4 And Peter fastening his eves upon him with John, said, Look on us.
- 5 And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.
- 6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name μοι· ο δὲ ἔχω, τοῦτό σοι δίδωμι. \ what I have, I give you. In

GREEK TEXT.

ίδων Πέτρον καὶ Ἰωάννην μέλ- seeing Peter and John about λοντας εἰσιέναι εἰς τὸ ἱερὸν, to go into the temple, asked 4 $\dot{\alpha}\tau\epsilon\nu i\sigma\alpha s$ $\delta\epsilon$ $H\epsilon\tau\rho\sigma s$ ϵis $\alpha\dot{\nu}\tau\dot{\sigma}\nu$ ly looking upon him with σύν τῶ Ἰωάννη, εἶπε, Βλέψον John, said, Look on us. And 5 εἰς ἡμᾶς. 5 'Ο δέ ἐπεῖχεν αὐτοῖς, he gave heed to them, expect- $\pi \rho o \sigma \delta o \kappa \hat{\omega} \nu \tau \iota \pi \alpha \rho' \alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \hat{\omega} \nu \lambda \alpha$ ing to receive something from ριον καὶ χρυσίον οὐχ ὑπάρχει and gold I have mot, but

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έλεημοσύνην λαβείν. *alms. And Peter, *learnest-4 6 εἶπε δὲ Πέτρος, 'Αργύ- them. Then Peter said: Silver 6

- alms"; "begged to receive alms", Anonymous; "an alms", Thompson, Wesley; "to ask alms", Doddridge; "asked to receive alms", Rheims; les pria deluí donner l'aumone, French com. Fest.
- 1 Arevigas. Fixing, or having fixed, his eyes upon him;defined in Latin by defigo, indicating intensity of action; in our idiom happily expressed by earnestly looking.
- " "Silver and gold I have not". However use may have sanctioned the phrase-"Silver and gold I have none", it cannot be justified. "None", is an abbreviation of "not one," which does not apply to these metals named, in the form of money. "Silver and gold I have not", was strictly true in his case, and more eloquent than to say he had not an obolus or a denarius.
- " O δε έχω, literally that which I have; but in our language, what I have is its present currency, and tantamount in value. So Wakef., Mur. Syriac ver., Dodd., Thomp. cum multis aliis.
- · Εν τω ονοματι,—and εις το ονομα, are two formulas. wholly incommutable, and well marked, in this book of Acts. No person in the annals of the Bible, till the close of its canon, was baptized or immersed "in the name of the Father, the Son, or the Holy Spirit"-nor in any name whatever. They were all baptized into the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These are very important fixtures in the Greek of the New Testament. In all cases of authority we have εν τω ονοματι, never εις το ονομα.

We have in the Book of Acts four prepositions occasionally found in connection with ovoua, which has itself three forms in Grecian usage.—The poets sometimes prefer ουνομα, the Aeolians ονομα, indicative of name, fame, celebrity, and pretext. It is, in "Critica Sacra"-philosophically defined, "quasi oveoµa, a juvando ut cujus usuram agnosceres. Nomen quasi notamen-Acts 1:15. "The number of names"-indicative of persons.

, In connection with ovoua, we find in this single book of Acts εις, εν, επι, and δια, indicative of, at least as many shades

k Ηρωτα έλεημοσυνην λαβείν, literally "asked to receive | and varieties of thought, modes of action, passion, and de-

We have εls το ονομα, into the name; εν το ονοματι, in the name; επὶ το ονομα, upon the name; and δια του ονοματος, through the name, or by the name. These, historically considered, indicate four distinct ideas, in reference to certain public acts.-E. g. An alien becomes a citizen, 1st by immigrating into a country; 2nd by adopting, in the name of God, its constitution and renouncing all former allegiance; 3rd by calling upon God to witness and attest his sincerity; and all these through the officers of state, or courts appointed for such solemnities. Such is the use of these prepositions, in the affairs pertaining to the kingdom of Grace, over which, presides his Divine Majesty-Jesus, the King of kings, and the Lord of lords.

"In the name of the Lord", equivalent to by the authority of the Lord. Ever since his coronation in the heavens, he is the only authority for any Christian act, observance, or institution. Nothing is ever done, or commanded to be done, in the name of the Father, or in the name of the Holy Spirit, from the commencement of the Acts of the Apostles to the end of the Apocalypse.

The reason is obvious.—On his ascension into the Heavens and formal investiture with the government, management, and ultimate judgment of Angels and of men-all things are to be done in his name, or by his authority.—Hence in Christian Baptism, as enacted by himself, he commands all converts to be immersed not in, but "into (sis) the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." This is purely a Christian Institution—not of Moses nor of the prophets.— Hence the Formula is a perfectly original and unprecedented institution. There had been washings, cleansings, and purifyings amongst Jews, Samaritans, and Gentiles, by various authorities and enactments. But not one like this ;-into the name of the Father, into the name of the Son, and into the name of the Holy Spirit. Therefore-IN THE NAME-and INTO THE NAME indicate two distinct and inconvertible acts which no grammar nor dictionary in the civilized world can equivalence

of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.

- 7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ancle-bones received strength.
- 8 And he, leaping up, stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.
- 9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God:
- 10 And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.

11 And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.

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έν τῷ ὀνόματι Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ του Ναζωραίου, έγειραι καὶ περιπάτει. 7 Καὶ πιάσας αὐκον τῆς δεξιας χειρός ήγειρε παραχρημα δε έστερεώθησαν αὐτοῦ αἱ βάσεις καὶ τὰ σφυρὰ, 8 καὶ έξαλλόμενος έστη καὶ περιεπάτει, καὶ είσηλθε σύν αύτοις είς τὸ ίερον, περιπατών καὶ άλλόμενος καὶ αίνων του Θεόν. 9 καὶ είδεν αὐτον πας ο λαος περιπατούντα καὶ αίνουντα τὸν Θεόν· 10 ἐπεγίνωσκόν τε αὐτὸν ὅτι οὕτος ἦν ὁ προς την έλεημοσύνην καθήμενος έπὶ τῆ 'Ωραία πύλη τοῦ ἱεροῦ· καὶ ἐπλήσθησαν θάμβους καὶ ἐκστάσεως έπὶ τῷ συμβεβηκότι αύτῶ.

 11 Kρατδῦντος δὲ τοῦ ἰαθέντος χωλοῦ τὸν Πέτρον καὶ Ἰωάννην, συνέδραμε προς αύτους πας ο λαὸς έπὶ τῆ στοᾶ τῆ καλουμένη

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the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. And seizing him by the right 7 hand, he lifted him up; and immediately his feet and pankles received strength. And 8 qleaping forth, he stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God. And all the people saw him 9 walking and praising God: and they well knew that it 10 was he, who sat for alms, at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement, at that which had happened to him.

And while the lame man, 11 who was healed, held fast Peter and John, all the people ran together to them, "upon 'the porch, called Solomon's, Σολομῶντος, ἔκθαμβοι. 12 ἰδῶν greatly wondering. And when 12

- ment unnecessary. It was rather his ankle joints that were strengthened.
- ^q Εξ αλλομενος. This would indicate leaping forward, rather than leaping up. He was sitting, as intimated by *a3nuevos.
- r Ότι οὖτος, very definitely indicates the person alluded to -the identical person that sat begging.

And they well knew-επεγίνωσκόν. They recognized, may not be forcible enough. It is, however, in our present currency indicative of an effort. But no effort was here necessary-at the first glance they seem to have known him as a familiar person.

* Επὶ τη πύλη—in this context would indicate that he sat upon the gate. Exi is found in the N. Test. in company with three cases, and this fact makes it a hard case, on some occasions, to give a decided preference. Upon is decidedly its most distinctive, and probably its most etymological and common import. It is found in construction with genitive, dative, and accusative, occasionally translated by upon. And very frequently so found in Luke's and Paul's writings. At is a sort of compromized representative of it, in Luke's and Paul's departments of the Christian Scriptures. This is a happy expedient, and places the English reader in the same predicament | dicated the court of the Gentiles by this name.

P His feet and ankles. "Bones" is, com. ver., a supple- | with a Jew or a Greek. The context, therefore, must, in all cases, decide; and that is our special umpire in all ambiguous cases. Nothing essentially docurinal is in jeopardy-but perspicuity being the desideratum, that will be better secured in this case by the context than by either dictionary or grammar.

- ι Κρατοῦντος—αυτους—Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. Holding them fast; or, "as he held them fast"-or, "kept near to them". De Wette, Meyer, Hackett concur in the former meaning, and in our judgment with satisfactory evidence.
- " Επι τῆ στοά-for the preceding reasons given, we have here preferred "upon the porch called Solomon's."
- Στοᾶ Σολομωντος. This porch is named twice in this book -here and in ch. 5:12. Again once in John 10:23. This portico, or hall, was in the court of the heathen on the Eastern side of the temple. The common opinion has long been and yet is—that, being placed on the spot where Solomon had made the entrance into the old Temple, it still retained his name. There are not wanting some distinguished moderns who think that it was the identical porch that Solomon himself reared.

Josephus calls this porch Εργον Σαλομωντος. Tholuck. Lightfoot affirms the conviction that the Jews in-

12 And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?

13 The God of Abraham. and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go.

14 But ye denied the Holy One, and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto

you;

15 And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

16 And his name, through faith in his name, hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him, hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

GREEK TEXT.

δε Πέτρος απεκρίνατο προς τον 'Ανδρες 'Ισραηλίται, τί θαυμάζετε έπὶ τούτω, η ήμιν τί άτενίζετε, ώς ιδία δυνάμει η εύσεβεία πεποιηκόσι του περιπατεῖν αὐτόν; 13 ὁ Θεὸς Αβραὰμ καὶ Ἰσαὰκ καὶ Ἰακώβ, ὁ Θεὸς τῶν πατέρων ἡμῶν, ἐδόξασε τὸν παίδα αύτου 'Ιησούν ον ύμείς παρεδώκατε, καὶ ήρνήσασθε αὐτον κατά πρόσωπον Πιλάτου, κρίναντος έκείνου απολύειν. 14 ύμεις δε τον άγιον και δίκαιον ήρνήσασθε, καὶ ήτήσασθε ἄνδρα φονέα χαρισθηναι ύμιν, 15 τον δὲ ἀρχηγὸν τῆς ζωῆς ἀπεκτείνατε· ον Θεος ήγειρεν έκ νεκρών, οδ ήμεις μάρτυρές έσμεν. έπὶ τῆ πίστει τοῦ ὀνόματος αὐτοῦ, τοῦτον ὂν θεωρεῖτε καὶ οἴδατε, έστερέωσε τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ· καὶ ἡ πίστις ἡ δι αὐτοῦ έδωκεν αύτῷ τὴν ὁλοκληρίαν ταύτην ἀπέναντι πάντων ὑμῶν.

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Peter saw it, he addressed the people; -Israelites, why marvel at this? or why look so earnestly on us, as though, by our own wstrength, or *piety, we had caused this man to walk? The God of Abraham, 13 and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered up, and disowned, in presence of Pilate, when he was determined to acquit him. But you dis- 14 owned the Holy and the Just One, and desired a murderer to be granted to you: and killed 15 the Author of athe Life, whom God raised from the dead: whose witnesses we are. And 16 upon the faith in his name, he has made this man strong, whom you behold and know. Yes, his name, and the faith which is through him, has given him this perfect soundness, in presence of you all.

- * Δυναμει indicates physical strength or ability, and neither moral nor official power. Therefore to be apposite to the occasion and the fact, it is, in this case, more appropriately rendered strength, than power. On other occasions it may, without hazarding any ambiguity, be appropriately rendered power, as in chapter 4:33.
- * Ευσεβεια, occurs 15 times in the N. T.—It is fourteen times translated godliness—here holiness. There seems to be an impropriety in this change. Indeed άγιστης, and αγιωσυνη, occur in the N. T. only 4 times, always translated holiness. Between these and ευσεβεια there is a difference. The latter usually denotes a quality of mind or heart. The former has respect to state or relation. In these there are no degrees of comparison. No person in matrimony or citizenship, is more married, or more a citizen than another.

To live in harmony with either state, more or less conjugally, or loyally, is conceiveable.—But piety is an attribute of man, himself, apart from all conventional, arbitrary, or legal arrangements. Leigh's Critica Sacra, Schrevelius, Doddridge, Wesley, Thompson, Geneva, and some others, "godliness".

vant, a son, a maid, a young man, and is so found in N. T.

usage, com. ver.—Being in a quotation from Isaiah 42: 1, by Matthew applied to Jesus—it should here be *servant*, not son. "Behold my *servant*—my elect, whom I uphold, in whom my soul delights &c." Again v. 26, 27. The com. ver. more frequently renders it *servant*, than *child*.

Haiδα, servant. Hais occurs in this book of Acts applied to Jesus Christ four times, translated com. ver., twice son and twice child. With us child is common gender. It is, therefore, once translated maid, Luke 8:24, once maiden, Luke 8:51—also by servant—Jesus was personally a son—officially a servant, v. 13.

- * Anolvo is, in this book, suitably represented by the words to put away, release, forgive, dismiss, depart, set at liberty. To acquit in a case of trial before a magistrate is, in our present currency of courts, preferable to put away, release, depart, or to set at liberty.
- The life. In this association of ideas—it is due to the original, and to the reader—that as it is definitely τῆε ζωῆε, and connected with Αρχηγον, the Prince or Author of it should be rendered The Prince of the Life—of all life, indeed, but here especially, The Life Eternal.

17 And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers.

18 But those things which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled

19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:

21 Whom the heaven must

GREEK TEXT.

καὶ νῦν, ἀδελφοὶ, οἰδα ὅτι κατὰ ἄγνοιαν ἐπράξατε, ώσπερ καὶ τι ἄρχοντες ὑμῶν· 18 ὁ δὲ Θεὸς ἃ προκατήγγειλε διὰ στόματος πάντων τῶν προφητῶν αύτοῦ παθείν τον Χριστον, έπλή-19 μετανοήσατε ρωσεν οΰτω. οὖν καὶ ἐπιστρέψατε, εἰς τὸ έξαλειφθήναι ύμῶν τὰς άμαρτίας, οπως αν έλθωσι καιροί άναψύξεως από προσώπου τοῦ κυρίου. ²⁰ καὶ ἀποστείλη τὸν προκεκηρυγμένον ύμιν Ίησοῦν Χριστον, 21 ον δεί ουρανον μεν δέξασθαι receive, until the times of resti- αχρι χρόνων αποκαταστάσεως of the completion of all things,

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And now brethren, I know 17 that byou acted in ignorance, as also did your rulers. But God has thus accomplish- 18 ed those things which he had formerly announced by the mouth of all his prophets, 'that the Christ should suffer. Reform, then, and dturn, 19 that your sins may be blotted out, and that seasons of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord: and 20 that he may send 'Jesus Christ, the one before 'prepared for you, whom the heavens must, 21 indeed, gretain until the times

- b Κατὰ ἄγνοιαν ἐπράξατε, you acted in ignorance, is better | us, now very distinguishable acts and ideas. It is true, in fact, than "through ignorance you did it"-or "you acted according to ignorance,"-though it be more literal. A "zeal according to knowledge" is also too literal—an intelligent zeal is in better keeping with our present vernacular, and equally true to the original.
- · Παθείν τον Χριστον-That the Christ-not Christ-should suffer. It was not of a Christ-but of the Christ the prophets spoke, as here alluded to.
- d Επιστρεψατε—is fully represented by turn, or "turn to him," Wakef., Dodd., Tyndale, Geneva. Return, Thompson. In the com. ver. of the Acts it is translated by turn eight times; and in Luke's Gospel turn and return five times. "Turn from your present course, or character."-Hackett.
- e Tov, in this verse should, in our conception of it, be placed before Jesus Christ, if the reading we prefer be adopted. Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf., Hooneyelolomevov, "And that he may send the Jesus Christ before announced to you" whom the Heaven must retain &c.
- [†] Ποοχεχειοισμένον (Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.) is by distinguished critics preferred to προκεκηουγμενον, the former represented by before appointed or before prepared, the latter by before announced. The former, we presume, to be the genuine reading. But as to the significance they are materially the same. Both indicate a previous arrangement or purpose. It is an unquestionable fact, that his mission or work was previously announced and prepared—as Christ himself is the Lamb that was slain from the foundation of the world, in all the proceedings of redeeming grace-and also that he will appear a second time without a sin-offering, at the consummation of the mediatorial interposition.
- Almost all the modern versions, have receive. Yet with Murdock, I prefer retain. Reception and retention are with times of the Messiah, as Peter now does, it would seem to us

that the heavens must retain the Messiah, our Lord, until the final consummation of this drama of humanity.

Hackett and some others would have receive still retained in the text. We concur with him that δεχομαι by itself is no where rendered retain, but we connect it with axps. as fully indicative, in our currency, of, to retain. Is not "to receive a person into our house until any specified timeto retain him till that time arrive!" How, otherwise, could the heavens retain him until? The most literal rendition in this case is, therefore, equivalent to that proposed. But in either case there is no difference in the sense. He must continue in the heavens till the consummation of all the promises concerning his church.

- "To receive" indicates a special act—but to retain a continued act—and this axes, imports.—In any case—he must continue in the heavens, till the consummation of all the promises touching the earthly career of his church.
- h Αχρι . . . παντων, "until the times of the restoration of all things," to primitive order and felicity. This seems to be an allusion to the Καιροι αναψυξεως—the restoration of primeval rectitude and felicity, contemplated in the triumphant epoch of Christ's reign.

Αποκαταστασεως. This is one of the hapax legomenacompletion, Boothroyd, Murdock; restoration, Wakefield; consummation, Thomp; restitution, Wesley, Rheims, Wickliff; all things be restored again, Tyndale, Geneva, Cranmer; regulation of all things, Dodd. We yet prefer completion, because more generic, as the full sense of all the prophetic oracles. Leigh's Critica Sacra, while giving restitutio-observes; Astronomis, Reversio Stellae ad eum locum unde discesserat.

Referring to Moses and all the prophets concerning the

tution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets, since the world began.

22 For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A Prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you, of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things, whatsoever he shall say unto you.

23 And it shall come to pass, that every soul which will not hear that Prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

24 Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel, and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.

25 Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.

26 Unto you first, God having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

GREEK TEXT.

πάντων, ὧν έλάλησεν ὁ Θεὸς διὰ στόματος πάντων άγίων αύτοῦ ²² Μωπροφητών άπ' αίωνος. σης μέν γάρ πρός τους πατέρας εἶπεν, 'Ότι προφήτην ὑμῖν ἀναστήσει Κύριος ὁ Θεὸς ὑμῶν ἐκ τῶν ἀδελφῶν ὑμῶν, ὡς ἐμέ· αὐτοῦ ἀκούσεσθε κατὰ πάντα ὅσα αν λαλήση προς ύμας. 23 έσται δε, πασα ψυχη, ήτις αν μη ακούση τόῦ προφήτου εκείνου, έξολοθρευθήσεται έκ τοῦ λαοῦ. 24 Καὶ πάντες δὲ οἱ προφηται ἀπὸ Σαμουηλ καὶ τῶν καθηξης, ὅσοι έλάλησαν, καὶ προκατήγγειλαν τας ήμέρας ταύτας. 25 ύμεις έστε υίοὶ τῶν προφητῶν, καὶ τῆς διαθήκης ης διέθετο ο Θεός προς τους πατέρας ήμων, λέγων προς 'Αβραὰμ, Καὶ τῷ σπέρματί σου ένευλογηθήσονται πᾶσαι αἱ πατριαὶ τῆς γῆς. 26 Υμίν πρώτον ό θεὸς ἀναστήσας τὸν παῖδα αύτοῦ Ἰησοῦν, ἀπέστειλεν αὐτὸν εύλογοῦντα ὑμᾶς, ἐν τῷ ἀποστρέφειν έκαστον άπο των πονηριών υμών.

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which God has spoken through the mouth of all his holy prophets, since the world began. For Moses, indeed, said to the 22 Fathers, That a prophet shall the Lord your God 'raise up for you, from among your brethren, as he raised me up; him shall you hear in all things, whatever he shall say to you. And every soul who will not 23 hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people. And, indeed, all the 24 prophets, from Samuel and those following in order, as many as have spoken, have also foretold these days. You are the sons of the pro- 25 phets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying, to Abraham, "And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed." God having raised 26 ed up his *servant Jesus, sent him first to you, to bless you in turning away, every one of you, from his iniquities.

that the completion of the ancient oracles respecting Messiah and his kingdom covers the whole area of his premises; and, therefore, meets all the demands of the case better than restitution, restoration, regulation, or consummation: whether promises or predictions, (and these include the whole prophetic school,) completion is quite apposite.

- י Αναστησει בְּקְרֶם, will raise up—cause to appear ως εμε, like me. Hence a rendition quite as peculiar as the former—not like to me—but like as he raised me up.
- ¹ Yioi The $\delta\iota\alpha\theta\eta\kappa\eta$ s, sons of the covenant, or institution—viol here Hebraistically indicates heirs; participators—still the sons of the prophets is the proper expression of the original. All believers—all Christians are heirs in common of all the spiritual blessings promised in the seed of Abraham.

Sons, rather than children, of the prophets—inheritors of the prophets;" and, therefore, ough blessings which the prophets foretold—heirs of covenanted acknowledged their own Messiah.

that the completion of the ancient oracles respecting Messiah mercies. On these promises he urges their right and duty to and his kingdom covers the whole area of his premises; and, accept these promised blessings.

k Τον παιδα Ιησουν.—Ιησουν is, in this case, rejected as spurious by Gb., Sch., Ln. and Tf.—Παις is found applied to Jesus only once in Matthew as a servant, and in Luke's writings five times;—once in his Gospel, referring to him where literally a child, ch. 2:43; and in his Acts four times;—twice rendered in com. ver., son Jesus, and twice child Jesus. This is an anomalous license. It is most generally, in other cases, rendered servant. The Jews are called "sons of the Prophets," not merely of the four major prophets, or of the twelve minor prophets, as the Jews call them in distinction from the Patriarcha! prophets. They were educated by these sixteen Jewish Prophets, being weekly read in their synagogues. Hence, we presume, they were called "sons of the prophets;" and, therefore, ought to have recognized and acknowledged their own Messiah.

CHAP. IV.

And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees came upon them.

- 2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.
- 3 And they laid hands on them, and put them in hold unto the next day: for it was now even-tide.
- 4 Howbeit, many of them which heard the word, believed: and the number of the men was about five thousand
- 5 And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes.
- 6 And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.

7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name have ye done this?

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the μερον ἀνακρινόμεθα ἐπὶ εὐεργε- a good deed done to an infirm

GREEK TEXT.

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ΛΑΛΟΥΝΤΩΝ δε αὐτῶν προς του λαου, έπέστησαν αύτοίς οἱ ἱερείς καὶ ὁ στρατηγὸς τοῦ ίεροῦ καὶ οἱ Σαδδουκαῖοι. 2 διαπονούμενοι διὰ τὸ διδάσκειν αύτους του λαου, καὶ καταγγέλλειν έν τῷ Ἰησοῦ τὴν ἀνάστασιν την έκ νεκρών 3 καὶ έπέβαλον αύτοις τὰς χειρας, καὶ έθεντο είς τήρησιν είς την αύριον ην γάρ έσπέρα ήδη. 4 πολλοί δὲ τῶν άκουσάντων τον λόγον έπίστευσαν καὶ ἐγενήθη ὁ ἀριθμὸς τῶν άνδρῶν ώσεὶ χιλιάδες πέντε. 5 Έγενετο δε επί την αύριον συναχθηναι αὐτῶν τοὺς ἄρχοντας καὶ πρεσβυτέρους καὶ γραμματείς είς Ίηρουσαλημ, "Ανναν τὸν ἀρχιερέα καὶ Καϊάφαν καὶ Ἰωάννην καὶ ᾿Αλέξανδρον, καὶ ὅσοι ἦσαν ἐκ γένους 7 καὶ στήσαντες άρχιερατικοῦ. αὐτοὺς ἐν τῷ μέσω, ἐπυνθάνοντο, Έν ποία δυνάμει ή έν ποίω ονόματι έποιήσατε τοῦτο ύμεῖς; 8 Τότε Πέτρος πλησθείς Πνεύματος Αγίου, εἶπε προς αὐτοὺς, "Αρχοντες τοῦ λαοῦ καὶ πρεσβύτεροι τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ, 9 εἰ ἡμεῖς σήREVISED VERSION.

CHAP. IV.

And while they were speak- 1 ing to the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple guard, and the Sadducees came upon them, being indignant 2 that they taught the people, and preached, that through Jesus is the resurrection from the dead. And they laid hands 3 on them, and put them in prison, until the next day: for it was already evening. But many of those who heard 4 the "word believed; and the number of the men became about five thousand.

And it came to pass, on the 5 morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes, and Annas 6 the High Priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the "pontifical family, were gathered together in Jerusalem. oplacing them in the midst, they asked, PIn what strength, or in what name, have you done this? Then Peter, filled with 8 the Holy Spirit, said to them, Rulers of the people, and Elders of Israel, if we be ex- 9 examined this day concerning

¹ Διαπονουμένοι, "being grieved," is not indicative of the feeling of the Apostle Paul, in witnessing the malice of a wicked spirit, reported in Acts 16:18. In that case Paul was indignant. In this case the Saducees and the priesthood could be no less inargnant, while witnessing the power of the Apostles' doctrine, in stultifying their doctrine of no resurrection of the dead. We, therefore, prefer "indignant" to "grieved", as more truly indicative of their feelings on this occasion. The word is found only in these two cases in the Apostolic Scriptures.

gospel of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It was the special message of the day.

n Εκ γενους αρχιερατικου. Pontifical family is, in our currency, more definite and perspicuous than the "kindred of the High Priest," which might comprehend more than were personally interested in the premises. Those specially interested were, doubtless, present.

^{· &}quot;When they had set them." Placing them, indicates the whole work comprehended in ornoantes autous.

P Ποια δυναμει, not ποια εξουσια-physical strength. In what strength-in what name? There was strength and au-Tov loyov, the word. This has exclusive reference to the | thority also in the name of the Lord. But as to the spectators in this case of physical infirmity—their attention was absorbed in the strength put forth.

impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

- 10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.
- 11 This is the stone which was set at naught of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.
- 12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.
- 13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.
- 14 And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.

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σία ἀνθρώπου ἀσθενοῦς, έν τίνι οῦτος σέσωσται· 10 γνωστον έστω πασιν ύμιν και παντί τώ λαῷ Ἰσραὴλ, ὅτι ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Ίπσοῦ Χριστοῦ τοῦ Ναζωραίου, ον ύμεις έσταυρώσατε, ον ο Θεος ήγειρεν έκ νεκρών, έν τούτω οδτος παρέστηκεν ένώπιον ύμων 11 οδτός έστιν ο λίθος ο έξουθενηθείς ύφ' ύμων των οίκοδομούντων, ὁ γενόμενος εἰς κεφαλην γωνίας. 12 καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ἐν άλλφ ούδενὶ ή σωτηρία· ούτε γαρ ὄνομά ἐστιν ἔτερον ὑπὸ τὸν ούρανον το δεδομένον έν άνθρώποις, έν ῷ δεῖ σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

13 Θεωροῦντες δὲ τὴν τοῦ Πέτρου παρρησίαν καὶ Ἰωάννου, καὶ καταλαβόμενοι ὅτι ἄνθρωποι άγράμματοί είσι καὶ ιδιώται, έθαύμαζον, έπεγίνωσκόν τε αὐτους ότι συν τώ Ίησου ήσαν 14 τον δε άνθρωπον βλέποντες σὺν αὐτοῖς ἐστῶτα τὸν τεθεραREVISED VERSION.

man, in what mame he is made whole, be it known to you 10 all, and to all the people of Israel, that in the name of Jesus Christ, the Nazarene whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by him does this man stand before you sound. This is 11 the stone which was set at nought by you, the builders, which is 'made the head of the corner. And the salvation is 12 not in another person; for there is not another name under the heaven, given among men, by which it behooves us to be saved.

Now, "considering the free- 13 dom of speech, of Peter and John, and having vperceived that they were *illiterate, and persons in private life, they marveled; and they knew them well, that they jused to be with Jesus. beholding the man who was 14 healed, standing with them, $\pi \epsilon \nu \mu \dot{\epsilon} \nu o \nu$, $o \dot{\nu} \dot{\delta} \dot{\epsilon} \nu \dot{\epsilon} \dot{i} \chi o \nu \dot{\alpha} \nu \tau \epsilon i \pi \dot{\epsilon} \dot{i} \nu$. they shad nothing to say

* Del, behoves .- Nor is it presented with a must be, as a fatal necessity; nor with a may be, as of doubtful import; but as claiming, commanding, behooving, us to embrace it, which latter word is inclusive of all its claims, and of all our wants. It is necessary, expedient, blissful.

-must, should, ought. No one word fills its area so well as behoove, which word is selected in Luke to indicate all the causes concurring in the death of Christ. Thus it behooved Christ to suffer &c., Luke 24:7, 26, 46, where all these terms -must, ought, behoove, occur.

^q Εν τινι—reference is here to ονομα, as the answer given premises implies more than seeing them, or even looking at

* Παρόησια, boldness of speech, 2 Cor. 7:4. The dative of this word is used adverbially, and indicates speaking, writing, acting boldly, or with much freedom. Here, contextually viewed, it indicates a freedom of speech which they could not reconcile with the apparent condition, education and circumstances of men in private stations of life. Freedom of speech. in all the associations of this scene, best harmonizes with the circumstances, and the terms employed.

w Καταλαβομενοι, "when they saw", Wakefield; "when they observed", Boothroyd. "Having perceived", Hackett. The tense differs from that of the other participle,

- * Αγραμματοι και ιδιωται, "illiterate and obscure", Hack.; Der fully indicates this, by three of its current acceptations "unlearned and obscure", Booth.; "unlearned and common men", Wakefield; "sans lettres, du commun peuple", French. So in most modern versions. S. Lee, Polyglott.
 - y Οτι συν τω Ιησου ησαν indicates more than a casual interview. They were wont to be with Jesus.
- ² Αντειπειν—to contradict, to speak against—literally, they " Θεωφουντες, considering, not merely seeing, or looking at had nothing to speak against it, or, they could say nothing

clearly intimates-In the name of Jesus Christ.

^{*} Ό γενομενος-made εις πεφαλην.

^{*} The common version does not indicate the fullness of the original. It is in the original ή σωτηρια—not salvation in general, but the salvation which the gospel brings-not a salvation of the body, of the soul, or of the spirit, but of the man. - Ουδενι, no person; αλλφ ουδενι, not another person.

it, but contemplating upon it—considering it. To theorize on against it.

15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves.

16 Saving, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them is manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it.

17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.

18 And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all, nor teach in the name of Jesus.

19 But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all men glorified God for that which was done.

22 For the man was above

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κελεύσαντες δε αύτους έξω τοῦ συνεδρίου ἀπελθεῖν, συνέβαλον προς άλλήλους, 16 λέγοντες, Τί ποιήσομεν τοῖς ἀνθρώποις τούτοις; ὅτι μὲν γὰρ γνωστὸν σημείον γέγονε δι' αὐτῶν, πᾶσι τοίς κατοικούσιν Ίερουσαλήμ φανερον, καὶ οὐ δυνάμεθα ἀρνήσασθαι· 17 άλλ' ΐνα μη έπὶ πλείον διανεμηθή είς τον λαον, απειλη απειλησώμεθα αὐτοῖς μηκέτι λαλεῖν ἐπὶ τῷ ὀνόματι τούτῳ μηδενὶ ἀνθρώπων. 18 Καὶ καλέσαντες αὐτοὺς, παρήγγειλαν αὐτοῖς τὸ καθόλου μὴ φθέγγεσθαι μηδε διδάσκειν έπὶ τῷ ὀνόματι τοῦ Ἰησοῦ. 19 ὁ δὲ Πέτρος καὶ 'Ιοάννης ἀποκριθέντες πρὸς αὐτούς εἶπον, Εἰ δίκαιόν ἐστιν ένωπιον του Θεου, υμών ακούειν μαλλον η του Θεού, κρίνατε. 20 οὐ δυνάμεθα γὰρ ἡμεῖς, ἃ εἴδομεν καὶ ήκούσαμεν, μὴ λαλεῖν. 21 Oι δ $\grave{\epsilon}$ προσαπειλησάμενοι ἀπ $\acute{\epsilon}$ λυσαν αὐτοὺς, μηδὲν εύρίσκοντες τὸ πῶς κολάσωνται αὐτοὺς, διὰ τὸν λαὸν, ὅτι πάντες ἐδόξαζον τον Θεον έπὶ τῷ γεγονότι. $\dot{\epsilon} \tau \hat{\omega} \nu \gamma \hat{\alpha} \rho \vec{\eta} \nu \pi \lambda \epsilon i \hat{\nu} \omega \nu \tau \epsilon \sigma$ which had been done. ⁴For the 22

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against it. But having com- 15 manded them to withdraw from the council, they conferred with one another, saying. What shall we do to these 16 men? for, that, indeed, a *notorious miracle has been wrought by them, is manifest to all those who dwell at Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. But, that it may be spread no 17 further among the people, let us strictly threaten them, that they speak, henceforth, to no man eupon this name. And 18 they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all, nor to teach, upon the name of Jesus.

But Peter and John answer- 19 ed, and said to them. Whether it be right in the sight of God, to hearken to you, rather than to God, judge. For we 20 cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard. So, when they had further 21 threatened them, they discharged them, finding no means of punishing them, because of the people; for all were glorifying God, for that

Επι τω ονοματι του Ιησου. In as much as we have in the original Scriptures three forms of expression connected with ονομα του Ιησου Χοιστου, of very different import, it seems to me not merely expedient, but obligatory, that we should give to an English reader three corresponding formulas in our in the Greek text we might, grammatically, render this verse

· Γνωστον, "signal", Booth., Doddridge; notorious, Rheims; | language, such as "in the name of"—"upon the name of" and "into the name of". These three formulas are as distinct in sense as in form. The first indicates authority, viz., in the name of the king, or commonwealth. The second indicates the subject, on which the authority terminates, the citizens of the commonwealth, and the third the reason why, or object for which, the action is performed. By the authority of the government, I. A. B. will speak to you upon American citizenship, and then I will introduce you into the possession of it.

To this agree, so far as I know, all Grammarians and Lexicographers. So we find it in the Apostolic commission. In the name of the Lord, I baptize you into the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, for, or in order to introduction into his kingdom.

d In conformity with the order and arrangement of words

manifest sign, Murdock.

b Διανεμηθη being passive, we prefer, on all the premises, to retain the passive form-that it may be spread.

[·] Επι and εν τω ονοματι τουτω. These are not identical expressions. To speak upon a name, and to teach in a name, are not equivalent enunciations. The latter has respect to authority, and the former to a topic, or subject. The mysteries of this name constituted the secret of their power with the people.

forty years old on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.

23 And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.

24 And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is;

25 Who, by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?

26 The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.

27 For of a truth against thy

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σαράκοντα ὁ ἄνθρωπος ἐφ' ον έγεγόνει τὸ σημείον τοῦτο της ιάσεως.

'Απολυθέντες δε ήλθον προς τους ίδίους, και άπηγγειλαν όσα προς αύτους οι άρχιερείς και οί πρεσβύτεροι εἶπον. 24 οί δὲ άκούσαντες, δμοθυμαδον ήραν φωνήν προς τον Θεον, καὶ εἶπον, Δ έσποτα, σὺ ὁ Θεὸς ὁ ποιήσας τὸν ούρανὸν καὶ τὴν γῆν καὶ τὴν θάλασσαν καὶ πάντα τὰ ἐν αὐτοῖς, 25 ὁ διὰ στόματος Δαβὶδ τοῦ παιδός σου είπων, Ίνατί έφρύαξαν έθνη, καὶ λαοὶ έμελέτησαν κενά; 26 παρέστησαν οι βασιλείς της γης, καὶ οἱ ἄρχοντες συνήχθησαν έπὶ τὸ αὐτὸ κατὰ τοῦ κυρίου, καὶ κατὰ τοῦ Χριστοῦ αὐτοῦ. 27 Συνήχθησαν γὰρ ἐπ' ἀληθείας REVISED VERSION.

man on whom this miracle of the healing was wrought, was more than forty years old.

And now, having been dis- 23 charged, they went to their own 'friends, and announced all that the priests and elders had said to them. And they, thearing, raised a 24 voice to God, with one accord, and said, "Sovereign Lord, thou art the God who hast made the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and all that is in them; who by thy servant David's 25 mouth hast said, hWhy did nations rage, and people imagine a vain thing? The 26 kings of the earth presented themselves, and the Princes were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Anointed. For, of a truth, in this 27

as follows-"of years, for was of more than forty the man on whom had had the miracle this of the healing." This is exactly according to the order and meaning of the words in the Greek text before me. Nor could all the rules of grammar, alone, or without a knowledge of the subject, as well as of the verbiage in which it is clothed, enable any one to give the exact ideas, contained in the original oracle of the inspired writer. This fact, incontrovertible as it is, demonstrates, how much depends upon a translator's knowledge of the subject, as well as of the language from which, and of the language into which, he transfers the ideas which existed in the mind of the original writer or speaker.

- . Hoos rovs idious, to their own friends, not especially to the Apostles.
- f Of de anovoantes. It seems better to preserve the participial construction here, and to render the oi, they.
- ⁸ Δεσποτα. This title is given to the Messiah. 2 Pet. 2:1: Judas 4. It occurs ten times in the New Testament-five times indicative of our Master in heaven, and five times of masters, or proprietors of men. Here it seems fitting to give to it all its grandeur, and therefore, we render it Sovereign Lord. This is warranted by the current difference between δεσποτης and ενοιος. This the spirit of the context seems to require. It is found five times indicative of supreme power or authority. Judas 4, Our only sovereign God and Lord.
- h Ίνατι, an abbreviation of ένα τι γενηται, why, or in order to which might be-Hackett.

1 Εν τη πολει ταυτη, after αληθειας is found in many ancient copies, but rejected by Bloomfield, though resting on good authority-Hackett. It is found in most ancient manuscripts. (Vul.) the two uncial Mss. Codd., Clermont, Augiensis, and the Codex Alex., which last after oov adds noles. So also reads the Latin with the Coptic, Arm., Ethiop. versions. Irenaeus, Cyril, Tertullian, and other fathers.

There can be no just ground of supposing the clause an addition in the oldest copies extant, until a still older copy can be produced, which has not the clause. See Ann. to the Book of the New Covenant, London Ed., 1807. By Granville. Penn, Esq., Hackett.—On the authority of Griesbach. Scholz, Lachmann, and Tischendorf, I would restore this

Penn's work, now lying before me, is, in my judgment, a work of much learning, ingenuousness and real merit. His version is dedicated to the Universal Church. London, 1837, two vols. octavo. He renders the passage thus, v. 27: For, of a truth, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and people of Israel, were gathered together in this city, against thy Holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed.—This was certainly true in fact.

I Hais is applied to Jesus only six times in the Christian Scriptures-four times in the Acts, once in Luke's Testimony, and once quoted from the Septuagint, Matt. 12:18. It is translated, com. ver., servant ten times, child twice. In other cases, and once. on allusion to the Lord Jesus, when he is

Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,

28 For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.

29 And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy

30 By stretching forth thy hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thine holy child Jesus.

31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

32 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart, and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.

33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them

34 Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold.

35 And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution των ἀποστόλων· διεδίδοτο δέ

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hast anointed, both Herod, and σοῦν, ον έχρισας, 'Ηρώδης τε καὶ Πόντιος Πιλάτος, σὺν ἔθνεσι καὶ λαοῖς Ἰσραὴλ, ²⁸ ποιῆσαι όσα ή χείρ σου καὶ ή βουλή σου προώρισε γενέσθαι. 29 καὶ τὰ νῦν, κύριε, ἔπιδε ἐπὶ τὰς ἀπειλὰς αὐτῶν, καὶ δὸς τοῖς δούλοις σου μετὰ παρρησίας πάσης λαλείν τον λόγον σου, ³⁰ έν τῷ τὴν χειρά σου έκτείνειν σε είς Ίασιν, καὶ σημεῖα καὶ τέρατα γίνεσθαι διὰ τοῦ ὀνόματος τοῦ ἀγίου παιδός σου Ίησοῦ. 31 Καὶ δεηθέντων αὐτῶν ἐσαλεύθη ὁ τόπος ἐν ὧ ήσαν συνεγμένοι, καὶ ἐπλήσθησαν άπαντες Πνεύματος 'Αγίου, καὶ ἐλάλουν τὸν λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ μετά παρρησίας.

> στευσάντων ήν ή καρδία καὶ ή ψυχὴ μία· καὶ οὐδὲ εῗς τι τῶν ύπαρχόντων αὐτῷ ἔλεγεν ἴδιον είναι, άλλ' ήν αύτοις απαντα κοινά. 33 καὶ μεγάλη δυνάμει άπεδίδουν το μαρτύριον οἱ ἀπόστολοι της άναστάσεως του Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ, χάρις τε μεγάλη ἦν έπὶ πάντας αὐτούς. 34 ούδὲ γὰρ ένδεής τις ύπηρχεν έν αὐτοῖς. όσοι γὰρ κτήτορες χορίων ἢ οἰκιῶν ὑπῆρχον, πωλοῦντες ἔφερον τὰς τιμὰς τῶν πιπρασκομένων, 35 καὶ ἐτίθουν παρὰ τοὺς πόδας

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sus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of Israel, were assembled, to do whatever thy hand, and 28 thy counsel had before *determined to be done. And now, 29 Lord, behold their threatenings, and grant to thy servants, that, with all boldness, they may speak thy word, by 30 stretching out thy hand to heal: and that signs and wonders may be done, by the name of thy holy son, Jesus.

And, they having prayed, the 31 place in which they were assembled together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and spoke the word of God with boldness. And the multitude of those 32 that believed were of one heart and of one soul, neither did any of them say, that any of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. And with 33 great power the Apostles gave testimony concerning the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all. For neither was there any 34 among them who lacked; for as many as were possessors of lands, or of houses, sold them, and brought the prices of the things sold, and laid them down at the Apostles' feet. And mit was distributed to 35

found in the temple answering questions, it is properly translated child. In the Acts, it is twice translated son, and twice child. In this case, we think, in all dignity and propriety, it should be translated son.

k Ποοορίζω, occurs 8 times in N. T. rendered by determined, ordained, declared, Rom. 1:4, limiteth. Luke uses δρίζω, six times out of its eight occurrences. Translated determined, ordained, determinate. Paul uses προορίζω five times out of its six occurrences. Etymologically, it indicates, to mark

out before, to bound or to limit before. Hence, Heb. 4:7, "He limiteth a certain day". Whether used to indicate a purpose, a delineation, description or prediction, as respects the Divine knowledge, or will, it equally involves one and the same radical idea. With God there is nothing past, present or future. He fills, he inhabits eternity.

- 1 Μεγαλη δυναμει, with great power, i. e. physical demonstration, not eξουσια, authority.
 - m Διεδιδοτο, being impersonal—it was distributed.

was made unto every man according as he had need.

36 And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, and of the country of Cy-

37 Having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it

at the apostles' feet.

CHAP. V.

But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession,

- 2 And kept back part of the price, (his wife also being privy to it,) and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet.
- 3 But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land?
- not thine own? and after it was $\kappa \alpha i \pi \rho \alpha \theta \hat{\epsilon} \nu \hat{\epsilon} \nu \tau \hat{\eta} \sigma \hat{\eta} \hat{\epsilon} \hat{\epsilon} \nu \sigma i \alpha^{\dagger} i t$ remained, was it not your

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έκάστω καθότι ἄν τις χρείαν every one, according as any

 36 $I\omega\sigma\eta_{S}$ $\delta\epsilon$ δ $\epsilon\pi\iota\kappa\lambda\eta\theta\epsilon\iota_{S}$ Βαρνάβας ὑπὸ τῶν ἀποστόλων, δ έστι μεθερμηνευόμενον, υίος παρακλήσεως, Λευίτης, Κύπριος τῷ γένει, ³⁷ ὑπάρχοντος αὐτῷ άγροῦ, πωλήσας ήνεγκε το χρημα, καὶ ἔθηκε παρὰ τοὺς πόδας των αποστόλων.

CHAP. V.

'Ανήρ δέ τις 'Ανανίας όνόματι, σὺν Σαπφείρη τῆ γυνακὶ αύτου, έπώλησε κτημα, ένοσφίσατο άπὸ της τιμης, συνειδυίας καὶ τῆς γυναικὸς αὐτοῦ, καὶ ένέγκας μέρος τι παρά τοὺς πόδας των αποστόλων έθηκεν. 3 ϵ ỉ $\pi\epsilon$ δ ϵ H ϵ τρος, 'Aνανία, διατί έπλήρωσεν ὁ Σατανᾶς τὴν καρδίαν σου, ψεύσασθαί σε τὸ Πνεθμα τὸ "Αγιον, καὶ νοσφίσασθαι άπὸ τῆς τιμῆς τοῦ χω-4 While it remained, was it ρiov ; 4 $ov \chi i \mu \epsilon \nu o \nu \sigma o i \epsilon \mu \epsilon \nu \epsilon$,

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one had need.

Now Joses, who, by the 36 Apostles, was surnamed Barnabas (which is, being-translated, Son of Consolation), a Levite, a Cyprian by birth, having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the Apostles' feet.

CHAP. V.

But a certain man named 1 Ananias, with Sapphira his wife sold a possession, and 2 opurloined from the price (his wife also being privy to it), and brought a certain part, and laid it at the Apostles' feet. But Peter said, Ananias, 3 why has PSatan Ppossessed your heart, to die to the Holy Spirit, and to purloin from the price of the land? While 4

The Septuagint employs voogiζομαι, Josh. 7:1, in the case of Achan. It is well defined by Leigh in his Critica Sacra: Non est totam rem auferre sed paululum tantummodo abstrahere. Beza employs intervertit, which he interprets by callide surripuit. In our vernacular, to embezzle, to filch, most exactly represents it. We prefer purloin, because already familiarized in com. ver. "Kept to himself," Wakef. and Boothr.; "carried away a part," Murd., Syr.

Συνειδυίας, having been cognizant, having participated in a knowledge of it, being privy to it.

P O Σατανας, a proper name, and retainable here.

Επληφωσεν, literally filled up; in our more modern style possessed your heart. Πληςοω, used here metaphorically, is taken from a ship sailing before the wind. "When a man is filled with the commandment, or with temptation, as the sail of a ship by the wind, he is said to be filled with it," Critica Sacra. It is found almost one hundred times in the N.T. Of these, some fifty times it is represented by fulfill, com. ver. It here indicates a full possession of the heart.

Possessed-literally filled. This is a bold figure in either case, to indicate a strong temptation. It is the language of earnestness or surprise.

- 4 Ψενσασθαι, to lie, to deceive, not the Holy Spirit abstractly contemplated, but through the Apostles.
- r Ουζι μενον σοι εμενε. Literally, Remaining, did it not romain to you! And being sold, remained it not in your power? In our idiomatic currency, we would say: "While it remained

[&]quot; De, but, in contrast with Barnabas.

[·] Evoquoato, Ind. mid. purloined, took away for himself. The mid. voice is most apposite to this case, indicating the selfishness and hypocrisy of the man. Purloin is not obsolete. though not so much in use as formerly. It is found com. ver., Tit. 2:10. It is, in com. ver., twice represented in this book by "kept back." There is no absolute impropriety in keeping back; but there is always in purloining. This is a complex sin. It was not simply keeping back, but feloniously keeping back, with intent to conceal, associated with deliberate lying.

sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

- 5 And Ananias hearing these words, fell down, and gave up the ghost. And great fear came on all them that heard these things.
- 6 And the young men arose, wound him up, and carried him out, and buried him.
- 7 And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in.
- 8 And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much.

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ύπηρχε; τί ὅτι ἔθου ἐν τῆ καρδία σου το πράγμα τοῦτο; οὐκ έψεύσω άνθρώποις, άλλὰ τῶ Θεώ. 5 'Ακούων δὲ 'Ανανίας τους λόγους τούτους, πεσων έξέψυξε καὶ έγένετο φόβος μέγας έπὶ πάντας τοὺς ἀκούοντας ταῦτα. 6 ἀναστάντες δε οι νεώτεροι συνέστειλαν αύτον, καὶ έξενέγ-7 Έγένετο δὲ καντες έθανιαν. ώς ώρων τριών διάστημα, καὶ ή γυνη αύτοῦ μη είδυῖα τὸ γεγονὸς είσηλθεν. 8 ἀπεκρίθη δε αυτή ό Πέτρος, Είπέ μοι, εὶ τοσούτου τὸ χωρίον ἀπέδοσθε; 'Η δὲ εἶπε, Naì, τοσούτου. 9 'Ο δὲ Πέτρος verily, for so much.

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own? and after it was sold, was it not in your own power? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? you have not lied to men "only, but to God. And Ananias hearing 5 vthese words, vfalling, expired; and great fear came on all that *heard these things. And the 6 young men rarose, wrapped him up, and *carrying him out, buried him. *Now an 7 interval of about three hours occurred, and his wife, not knowing what was done, came in. And Peter said to her, Tell 8 me whether you sold the land for so much? And she said

your own power, or at your own disposal?" We opine that the interrogative character of this sentence continues to its close, i. e. to ὑπηογε.

Our reasons are two-It is so pointed in our most approved And, again, because the impassioned speaker continues the same style of emotional feeling in another interrogation:-τι ότι εθου εν τη καρδιά σου το πραγμα τουτο; why have you conceived this thing in your heart?

- * Τι ότι, for τι εστιν οτι, as in v. 9, what is this? Fritzsche, Meyer, De Wette.
- · Eθov, aor. ind. mid. of τιθημι, literally, why have you placed, or deliberately machinated, this in your heart? The whole contour of the style indicates a deliberate design, calling forth a burst of feeling, bordering on excitement, on the part of the Apostle.

For a similar use of τιθημι see Luke 1:66; 21:14. Acts 19: 21; 27: 12. In Luke's currency τιθημι, in such cases, is indicative of settled design, fixedness of purpose, strong determination. Hence the aggravation of the sin of Ananias and his wife. They concealed, with intent to lie, for popularity.

- " "Only" is supplied, but not called for. It is true in fact that he lied to men, and to God. And therefore it is implied. Modern translators differ. Hackett says it is logically correct to translate our ... alla, not so much as; but this is defective in form, and less forcible. Others, like Boothroyd, and Penn, supply only. It is therefore a matter of taste, or discretion.
- * Ταντα, after ακουντας, is of doubtful authority; rejected by some editors, wanting in the vulgate and some other versions. It is applied to a single event, Lachmann, Hackett, &c.
 - Πεσων εξεψυξε, falling, expired. This participial form, not a mere act of Peter.

was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in | when followed, as in this case, by an active verb in the acrist, may indicate that the act expressed in the verb was the result of that expressed by the participle, and, especially, when xas is wanting between the participle and the verb.

- * "Who heard these" would be better than "that heard these things."—This is a matter of taste, and not of etymology.
- ⁷ And the young men-ανασταντες, arising, or having arisen, συνεστειλαν (as περιεστειλαν), wrapped him up, and εξενεγκαντες, 1st aor. part., having carried him out &c.
- * Exenermantes, having carried him forth, out of the city. Most probably as the Jews did not usually bury within their city walls, and not in consequence of his judicial death.
- * Εγενετο και, now it came to pass.—There was an interval of about three hours.—Then &c. "ώς διαστημα is not here the subject of eyevero, but forms a parenthetic clause and (see on 1:10) introduces the apodosis of the sentence. De Wette, Meyer, Fritzsche." So Hackett in loc. This Hebraistic use of zas in the apodosis of a sentence, after an expression or idea of time, is frequent in the N. Testament. See Brud. Gr. Concord. p. 456. "Intercessit autem ferme horarum trium intervallum quum uxor quoque ipsius, nesciens quod factum, ingressa est." Beza. "Factum est autem quasi horarum trium spatium, et uxor ipsius, nesciens quod factum fuerat, introivit." Vulgate.

Δε, now; διαστημα, an interval of about three hours; εγενετο, occurred; και ή γυνη αυτου, and his wife. This prevents the necessity of the supply of the article, and the translation of zat by "when," as in some versions. To yeyovos, what had occurred. This agrees with the perfect tense of the participle, and with the active rather than with the passive sense. It was what had come to pass a providential act and

9 Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? behold the feet of them which have buried thy husband are at the door, and shall carry thee out.

10 Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost. And the young men came in, and found her dead, and carrying her forth, buried her by her husband.

11 And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

12 And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.

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είπε προς αύτην, Τί ότι συνεφωνήθη ύμιν πειράσαι τὸ πνεθμα κυρίου: ίδου, οἱ πόδες τῶν θαψάντων τὸν ἄνδρα σου, ἐπὶ τῆ θύρα, καὶ έξοίσουσί σε. 10 " $E\pi\epsilon$ σε δὲ παραχρημα παρὰ τοὺς πόδας αὐτοῦ, καὶ έξέψυξεν εἰσελθόντες δε οἱ νεανίσκοι εξρον αὐτην νεκράν, καὶ έξενέγκαντες έθαψαν πρὸς τὸν ἄνδρα αύτῆς. έγένετο φόβος μέγας έφ' ὅλην την έκκλησίαν, καὶ έπὶ πάντας τοὺς ἀκούοντας ταῦτα.

Διὰ δὲ τῶν χειρῶν τῶν άποστόλων έγένετο σημεία καὶ τέρατα ἐν τῷ λαῷ πολλά· καὶ ήσαν ομοθυμαδον απαντες έν τη στοὰ Σολομώντος 13 τών δὲ 13 And of the rest durst no λοιπῶν οὐδεὶς ἐτόλμα κολλᾶσθαι porch. And of the grest durst 13

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Peter said to her, bWhy is it, that you have agreed together, to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? Behold the feet of these who have buried your husband are at the door, and shall carry you out. Then she instant- 10 ly fell down at his feet and expired: and the young men came in and found her dead, and carrying her out, buried her by her husband. great fear came upon all the decongregation, and upon all those hearing these things.

And through the hands of 12 the Apostles were many signs and wonders done among the people, (and eethey were all with one accord in Solomon's

* ATANTES, refers to the Apostles mentioned in the last clause. Olsh., De Wette, Mey., Bengel, extend it to all the believers. Hack.

^f Όμοθυμαδον άπαντες εν τη στος Σολομωντος. Solomon's porch, being a place of much resort, and the disciples as yet being all Jews, and having a common national right to resort thither with their own nation, it was for them legitimate missionary ground; and there, with much boldness, they announced the claims of Jesus as the Messiah.

"And of the rest." The sense of των λοιπων is explained by the last clause. Doddridge, Boothroyd, Hack. Dr. Lightfoot explains this "of the rest," "of the one hundred and twenty," from which Dr. Whitby dissents. Beza, would render κολλασθαι, in this passage, "to attack." This is too far fetched, and inappropriate to the contextual scope. They feared hypocritically to join them.

Two δε λοιπων. Literally, of the remainder. Those yet

ind. pass.—it was concerted, ὑμιν, by you—an instance well sustained of the dative after the passive, instead of the gen.

^ε Επεσε δε, and she fell; παραχοημα, immediately, just then, as Peter pronounced the last word. $\Delta \varepsilon$ has merely a copulative sense. And the young men, εισελθοντες, coming in, found her dead. And carrying her out, efevernances, they buried her, εθαψαν.

d And great fear came upon all the congregation, επι όλην την εχκλησιαν. Any assembly in this book being called an εκκλησια, and the word occurring 131 times in the Christian Scriptures it has been much in controversy, and consequently has caused much strife amongst Christians. It should be known and deliberated upon, that this word emplosia is represented in the Christian Scriptures by the following words, church, churches, assembly. It is, by apostolic use, indicative of any meeting or assembly of persons in any place, at any time, or for any purpose, with, or without a special call of those in authority. In the 19th chapter of Acts, com. v., it is thrice represented by the word assembly. Its etymological import is simply called out, or congregated. Hence assembly, concourse, or congregation, of any sort is indicated in and by the word εκκλησια.

^{*} Aia, indicating instrumentality, is, in all books, and especially in the Christian Scriptures, interchangeably rendered by, or through. Whatever metaphysics may say, by and through are equally indicative of both Divine and human agency. We have many instances of this in the com. ver., such as Rom.

 $^{^{}b}$ Ti ότι, why is it that? Συνεφωνηθη, 3d pers. sing. aor. | 5:21: "Grace reign through (δια) righteousness by (δια) Jesus Christ our Lord." The condemnation by, or through Adam, and the righteousness by or through Christ are represented by one and the same dia, &c. Such also is our popular use of by and through. Where there is no established antithetical difference in the meaning or use of particles in the Christian Scriptures, we should not create it; and where there is, we should not annihilate it. All that God has done for man, since he created him, has been through $(\delta \iota \alpha)$ agencies. Indeed, we are informed by Paul, Eph. 3:9, that God created all things ($\delta \iota \alpha$) through Jesus Christ. Moreover, by, and through, are used at the present time interchangeably.

the people magnified them.

14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.)

15 Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches. that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.

16 There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits; and they were healed every one.

17 Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with indignation,

18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.

19 But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said,

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man join himself to them: but αὐτοῖς, ἀλλ' ἐμεγάλυνεν αὐτοὺς ο λαός 14 μαλλον δε προσετίθεντο πιστεύοντες τῶ κυρίω, πλήθη ἀνδρών τε καὶ γυναικών. 15 ώστε κατά τὰς πλατείας ἐκφέρειν τους ἀσθενείς, καὶ τιθέναι έπὶ κλινών καὶ κραββάτων, ἵνα έρχομένου Πέτρου κἂν ή σκιὰ έπισκιάση τινὶ αὐτῶν. 16 συνήρχετο δὲ καὶ τὸ πλήθος τῶν πέριξ πόλεων είς Ίερουσαλημ, φέροντες ἀσθενείς καὶ ὀχλουμένους ύπὸ πνευμάτων ἀκαθάρτων, οίτινες έθεραπεύοντο απαντες.

17 'Αναστάς δὲ ὁ άρχιερεὺς καὶ πάντες οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ, ἡ οὖσα αίρεσις των Σαδδουκαίων, έπλήσθησαν ζήλου, 18 καὶ ἐπέβαλον τὰς χείρας αύτῶν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀποστόλους, καὶ έθεντο αὐτοὺς έν τηρήσει δημοσία. ¹⁹ ἄγγελος δε κυρίου δια της νυκτος ήνοιξε τας θύρας της φυλακης, έξαγαγών τε αὐτοὺς εἶπε, ²⁰ ΠορεύREVISED VERSION.

no man join himself to them. but the people hmagnified them. And believers were still more 14 added to the Lord, multitudes of men and also of women), in- 15 somuch that they brought forth their sick into the streets. and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least, the shadow of Peter, passing by, might overshadow some of them. And the multitude of 16 the surrounding cities also came together into Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those harassed with unclean spirits, and they were every one healed.

But the High Priest aris- 17 ing, and all who were with him (being the party of the 'Sadducees), were filled with zeal, and threw their 18 hands upon the Apostles, and put them in public *custody. But an langel of the Lord, 19 under mcover of the night, opened the prison doors, and bringing them forth, said, "Go stand 20 20 Go, stand and speak in the $|\epsilon\sigma\theta\epsilon\rangle$, $\kappa\alpha$ $\sigma\tau\alpha\theta\epsilon\nu\tau\epsilon$ $\delta\alpha\lambda\epsilon$ $\delta\nu$ and speak in the temple to the

unconverted dared not to associate themselves with them. The remainder, though an exact representation of των δε λοι- $\pi\omega\nu$, seems to be somewhat indefinite. The term, $\lambda\alpha\sigma s$, people, immediately after, is its best exponent. None could look upon these wonder-working men without fear and reverence. The fate of Ananias and his wife is as a fearful caveat against hypocrisy. If every one "glorified God for that which was done" (ch. 4:21), in the case of the impotent man, why should not these keep back from presumptuous sin, from the spectacle before them in the case of Ananias and his wife?

h Eusyahvver avrovs, magnified them. The Apostles, at this time, were greatly exalted in the esteem of the multitude, as, in the sequel, still further appears.

As quassare is more than quatere, taxare than tangere jactare than jacere, so vexare is more than vehere, yet not one of these, shaken, troubled, terrified, strangled, is so grievous as the feeling indicated in the text. According to Critica Sacra, "It is to be distracted hither and thither having no power of itself."

1 To rvoig. This verse is evidently parenthetic.—Believers not added in the Lord, as some would have it, but to the Lord. Its case depends on the verb.

- i "Sadducees." The reason of their activity in this case, is happily illustrative of our indebtedness to sectarianism, at least in one respect; its eternal vigilance to guard proof texts against all violence. The Sadducees saw in Christ's resurrection the refutation of their system; and therefore they violently seized the Apostles, because their preaching that doctrine was fatal to their distinguishing tenets.
- Eπεβαλον. This verb indicates strong violence. They fiercely threw their arms around them, or their hands upon them. Thonosi, with us, custody.
- 1 Αγγελος. Why an angel should here become some particular angel is destitute of authority. Had some angel been named in the context, there might have been some reason for the definite article.
- m dia, through the night, or under cover of the night. More seems to be indicated than the escape by night-rather by means of the night-efayaywv TE autous sine, bringing them out, said.
- " Πορευεσθε, -σταθεντες-go, and, standing in the Temple, speak. This form abounds in Luke's style.

words of this life.

21 And when they heard that, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought.

22 But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned, and told,

23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within.

24 Now when the high priest, and the captain of the temple, and the chief priests heard these things, they doubted of them whereunto this would grow.

25 Then came one and told them, saying, Behold, the men whom ye put in prison are standing in the temple, and teaching the people.

26 Then went the captain with the officers, and brought them without violence: for they feared the people, lest they should have been stoned.

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temple to the people all the τω ίερω τω λαώ πάντα τὰ ρήματα της ζωής ταύτης. 21 'Ακούσαντες δὲ εἰσῆλθον ὑπὸ τὸν ὄρθρον είς το ίερον, καὶ εδίδασκον. παραγενόμενος δε ο άρχιερευς καὶ οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ, συνεκάλεσαν το συνέδριον καὶ πᾶσαν την γερουσίαν τῶν υίῶν Ἰσραὴλ, καὶ άπέστειλαν είς τὸ δεσμωτήριον, άχθηναι αὐτούς. 22 οἱ δὲ ὑπηρέται παραγενόμενοι ούχ εδρον αύτους έν τη φυλακή άναστρέψαντες δὲ ἀπήγγειλαν, 23 λέγοντες, ΄ Θτι τὸ μὲν δεσμωτήριον εὕρομεν κεκλεισμένον έν πάση ἀσφαλεία, καὶ τους φύλακας έξω έστῶτας προ των θυρών ἀνοίξαντες δε, έσω οὐδένα εὕρομεν. 24 $^{\circ}\Omega_{S}$ δέ ήκουσαν τους λόγους τούτους δ τε ίερεὺς καὶ ὁ στρατηγὸς τοῦ ίερου και οι άρχιερείς, διηπόρουν περὶ αὐτῶν, τί ἂν γένοιτο τοῦτο. 25 παραγενόμενος δέ τις απήγγειλεν αὐτοῖς λέγων, "Οτι ἰδοὺ οί ανδρες οθς έθεσθε έν τη φυλακή, είσὶν έν τῷ ἱερῷ έστῶτες καὶ διδάσκοντες τὸν λαόν. 26 Tότε teaching the people. Then, 26 ἀπελθων ὁ στρατηγὸς σὺν τοῖς the Captain went, with the ofύπηρέταις, ήγαγεν αύτους, ού μετα βίας, ἐφοβοῦντο γὰρ τὸν λαὸν, people), that they might not \ddot{i} να μη λιθασθώσιν. 27 άγαγόν- be stoned.

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people, all the words of this

And when they heard that, 21 they entered into the temple early in the morning, and were teaching. But the High Priest came, and those that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent into the prison to have them brought.

But when the officers came 22 and found them not in the prison, they returned and reported, saying: The prison in- 23 deed we found rshut with all psecurity, and the guards, standing before the entrances; but on opening, we found not one within. Now when the 24 High Priest, and the Captain of the temple, and the chief Priests, heard these words, they were in perplexity about them, what this might come to be. But rone came and report- 25 ed, saying, Behold, those whom you placed in the prison are standing in the temple and ficers, and brought them without force (for they feared the

[·] Υπο τον ορθρον. Literally, under the dawn of day. Oo-Goos occurs but three times in the N. Test., and always represented by "early in the morning." Its use amongst the Greeks was equivalent to our "dawn of day," usually called "the break of day."

P Κεκλεισμενον, being the acc. sing. neut. perfect pass., indicates in all aogaleia, security, or firmness of defense, impregnable. Or, in this verse, is a pleonasm, because reciting the words of others. This is not unusual with Luke. And the guards standing (rather, being perfect participle, it is tantamount to our having been placed). $E\xi\omega$, outside, is omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln. and Tf. Twv 3vowv, the entrances -doors, too specific.

q Now ώs, as the High Priest &c.— These words, rovs λογονς τουτους. Διηπορουν, imp. were being perplexed = in perplexity; περι αυτων, about them—" to what this might amount."

r Δε, but, in this perplexity; τις, a certain one; παραγενομενος, having come (aor. part.); reported, απηγγειλεν. Ότι, pleonastically used; ούς εθεσθε, those whom you placed in τη φυλακη, the prison; έστωτες, perf. part., having taken a stand = are standing; nat διδασκοντές τον λαον, and teaching the people.

The English translation, as well observed by Prof. Hack., here assumes an impossible connection, as, after verbs of fearing, $\mu\eta$, $u\eta\pi\omega s$ and the like do follow, but never ίνα μη.

27 And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priestasked them,

28 Saying, Did not we straitly command you, that ye should not teach in this name? and behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon

29 Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than

30 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree:

31 Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. αφεσιν άμαρτιῶν.

GREEK TEXT.

τες δε αὐτούς έστησαν έν τῷ συνεδρίω καὶ έπηρώτησεν αὐτοὺς ο άρχιερεύς, 28 λέγων, Ού παραγγελία παρηγγείλαμεν υμίν μη διδάσκειν έπὶ τῷ ὀνόματι τούτῷ; καὶ ίδου πεπληρώκατε την 'Ιερουσαλήμ της διδαχης ύμων, καὶ βούλεσθε έπαγαγείν έφ' ήμᾶς τὸ αξμα τοῦ ἀνθρώπου τούτου. 29 'Αποκριθείς δε ο Πέτρος καὶ οί ἀπόστολοι εἶπον, Πειθαρχεῖν δεῖ Θεῷ μᾶλλον ἢ ἀνθρώποις. 30 ὁ Θεὸς τῶν πατέρων ἡμῶν ήγειρεν Ίησοῦν, δν ύμεις διεχειρίσασθε κρεμάσαντες έπὶ ξύλου. 31 τοῦτον ὁ Θεὸς ἀρχηγὸν καὶ σωτήρα ύψωσε τη δεξιά αύτου, δούναι μετάνοιαν τῷ Ἰσραὴλ καὶ

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And having led them away, 27 they placed them in the council: and the High Priest asked them; -Did we not 28 strictly command you not to teach "upon this name? and, behold, you have filled up Jerusalem with your doctrine, and are intending to bring the blood of this man upon us.

But Peter and the Apostles 29 answering, said, We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers has rais- 30 ed up Jesus, whom you slew, having hanged him on a tree. This person has God exalted 31 to his right hand, a Prince and a Saviour, wto grant repentance 32 καὶ ἡμεῖς to Israel, and forgiveness of

* Ayayorres, having led them away, i. c. from the Temple; | subject is not, at the bar of right reason, incompatible with making or propounding faith, repentance, baptism, or prayer, as means of receiving pardon. The beggar cannot think that the extending of his arm, or hand, to receive alms, annihilates the nature of alms, or converts the receiving of them into a work of merit. No more can common sense, unperverted by false views, imagine that pardon, based on any principle of faith, repentance, prayer, or baptism &c., annihilates the nature, or entrenches upon the character, of grace, even if crowded with the absurd prefixes of free, sovereign, and special; not one of which is found in Holy Writ.

By a special reference to Acts 11:18; Luke 1:74; Acts 14:3; Rom. 15:5; Eph. 3:16; 2 Tim. 2:18; Rev. 3:21 &c., com. ver., it will appear that διδωμαι is occasionally represented in Luke, Paul and John, by the words grant, bestow, and to give, give gratuitously, &c.

De Wette understands giving or granting repentance, in the sense of giving time or space for it. This may, in some cases, be equivalent to granting it, but to confine it to this view would stultify, or annihilate it, as properly a gift.

w "To grant repentance." This indicates the benefit of repentance—the forgiveness of sins. Legally we do not grant to the lawless and disobedient, any benefit to repentance. God mercifully grants repentance, pardon and acceptance. Hence promises the most precious are annexed to faith and repentance. In Hebrew style, God grants repentance to life, by granting pardon and acceptance, through the sacrifice of the

εστησαν, they caused them to stand, they placed them.

[&]quot; See v. 17. ch. 4.—This strict charge, on the part of the council, shows how much they dreaded the name of Jesus Christ. To speak upon it, or to speak by it, was to them "terrible as an army with banners."—They, therefore, prohibited a word upon that subject—from this view of the whole case, or premises, we concur with those who prefer upon, to in or by. Besides επι com. ver, is rendered some 150 times by

This yerse is grammatically and logically in apposition. Ιησουν τουτον, Λοχηγον, Σωτηρα, -- Ιησουν under the regimen of ηγεισεν, and τουτον Αρχηγον Σωτησα under that of ύψωσε, and in apposition with $I_{\eta\sigma\sigma\nu\nu}$, as we must regard it. We then render it-"This Prince and Saviour God has exalted to his right hand to grant reformation," or "the benefit of reformation to Israel, even the remission of sins." Remission of sins is always, and in all cases, an act of Sovereignty, of pure grace. Hence it is not, in any case, ex merito, based upon any thought, volition, word, or deed of any sinner in the universe. Grace and merit are as incompatible as light and darkness, as good and evil. If of grace, it cannot be of works, of any work. If of works, or of any work, it cannot be of grace. Otherwise, grace and work cease to be of any difference. It is an act of grace, and all grace is sovereign. There is not, nor can there be, any grace that is not an act of absolute sovereignty. So the oracles of God, and so the oracles of man, of enlightened and cultivated reason, have always decided. This view of the Lord Jesus, received by faith.

32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

33 When they heard that, they were cut to the heart, and took counsel to slay them.

34 Then stood there up one in the council, a Pharisee, named Gamaliel, a doctor of the law, had in reputation among all the people, and commanded to put the apostles forth a little space;

35 And said unto them, Ye men of Israel, take heed to yourselves what ye intend to do as touching these men:

36 For before these days rose up Theudas, boasting himself to be somebody; to whom a number of men, about four hundred, GREEK TEXT.

έσμεν αὐτοῦ μάρτυρες τῶν ἡημάτων τούτων, καὶ τὸ Πνεῦμα δὲ τὸ Αγιον, ὁ ἔδωκεν ὁ Θεὸς τοῖς πειθαρχοῦσιν αὐτῷ.

33 Οι δε άκούσαντες διεπρίοντο, καὶ έβουλεύοντο ἀνελείν αὐτούς. 34 ἀναστὰς δέ τις έν τῷ συνεδρίῷ φαρισαῖος, ὀνόματι Γαμαλιήλ, νομοδιδάσκαλος τίμιος παντὶ τῷ λαῷ, ἐκέλευσεν ἔξω βραχύ τι τοὺς ἀποστόλους ποιῆσαι, 35 εἶπε τε πρὸς αὐτοὺς, $^{\prime\prime}A$ νδρες Iσραηλ $\hat{\iota}$ ται, π ροσέχετε έαυτοις έπι τοις άνθρώποις τούτοις τί μέλλετε πράσσειν. ³⁶ πρὸ γαρ τούτων των ήμερων ανέστη Θευδας, λέγων είναι τινα έαυτον, ῷ προσεκολλήθη ἀριθμὸς ἀνδρῶν REVISED VERSION.

And we are his wit- 32 nesses of these things; and so is also the *Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him. Now those 33 hearing, were exasperated, and they were making up their mind to slay them. But a certain one, arising in 34 the Sanhedrim, a Pharisee, Gamaliel by name, a teacher of law, shonored by all the people, commanded to put the Apostles out, for a little while, and said to them, *Israelites take heed to your- 35 selves, what you bexecute upon these men. For be- 36 fore these days Theudas arose, declaring himself to be somebody, to whom a number of men, about four hundred, atjoined themselves: who was $\dot{\omega}\sigma\dot{\epsilon}\dot{\iota}$ $\tau\epsilon\tau\rho\alpha\kappa\sigma\sigma\dot{\iota}\omega\nu$ os $\dot{\alpha}\nu\eta\rho\dot{\epsilon}\theta\eta$, tached themselves; who was

it." Compare 3:16; 18:27, John 16:7, 8. Hackett, De literal, and therefore to be preferred. Wette, and others give this doctrinal view of it. When the Lord grants health or wealth &c., does he only grant the disposition to acquire it? He grants the blessing at once; but it may be through means. But to Judas, he gave not repentance -though he did repent. But God gave no benefit to his repentance. Does not the phrase, or formula, indicate, that he gave them the avails or benefit of it?-namely pardon. Perhaps it is safer to say he gives both.

- * Και το πνευμα δε το Άγιον.—Δε is, in this case, exegetical as is evident from its position between πνευμα and Άγιον, the Spirit, viz. the Holy one which God has given to them that obey him; δ (neuter), which, εδωκεν (aorist), God gave to those, πειθαρχουσιν αυτφ. This preserves the idiom.
- y Oi δε ακουσαντες, now those hearing; διεπριοντο (literally), were being sawn through. This expression, in this passive form, indicated not what they were doing, nor feeling, but the death blows the Apostles were inflicting on them as opposers of the truth.

Εβουλευοντο, and they were making up their minds. It seems to have been the object of this historian to express not what was done, but what was being done. There was much time occupied by these events, and much continuity in all their affairs. The continuative force of the Greek imp. is beautifully exhibited in this narrative, all of which is entirely lost in the com. ver.

Avelew autous, to put them aside. The Greek and English are idiomatically the same here. In both the phrase is under-leither view of it, we are disposed to leave it sub judice.

Δουναι μετανοιαν, i. e.—"the grace or disposition to exercise | stood in the sense of to kill, but to put them aside is more

- * This gives the genuine meaning of Tiplos.
- a Ανδοες Ισραηλιται—Israelites, is more forcible, as well as more in our usage, than men of Israel.—They stand in apposition. In such cases the common yields to the special and not the special to the common. Hence not men, nor men of Israel, but Israelites.
- "Men of Israel" is more literal than Israelites; so is "men, brethren, and fathers," than "brethren and fathers," as we give it. This is measurably a matter of taste, and also of grammar.-Grammatically they stand in apposition, and not in regimen. Man, in our vernacular, is absorbed in all nationalities; because Virginians are men of Virginia, men of Israel are also Israelites. Being in one case in the original, we should, as far as idiom permits, place them in one case in our version. But the title Israelites is equal to men of Israel, and more in harmony with the spirit and feeling of the orator, especially when animated.
- b Πρασσειν επι, to execute upon; more familiarly and literally expressed by to do upon them. But to do officially, in legal usage, is to execute.
- ^c But if προσμλινω be preferred, as the true reading, of which, to me, the evidence is not satisfactory; then it would indicate only an inclination to him rather than an adhesion. There being nothing of real consequence in the matter, in

slain; and all, as many as obeyed him, were scattered, and brought to nought.

37 After this man rose up Judas of Galilee, in the days of the taxing, and drew away much people after him: he also perished; and all, even as many as obeyed him, were dispersed.

38 And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought:

39 But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God.

40 And to him they agreed: and when they had called the apostles, and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.

41 And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his

42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

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καὶ πάντες ὅσοι ἐπείθοντω αὐτῶ. διελύθησαν καὶ έγένοντο είς ού-37 μετὰ τοῦτον ἀνέστη 'Ιούδας ὁ Γαλιλαίος, ἐν ταῖς ἡμέραις της απογραφης, και απέστησε λαὸν ίκανὸν όπίσω αὐτοῦ. κάκείνος ἀπώλετο, καὶ πάντες δσοι έπείθοντο αὐτῶ διεσκορπίσ-38 καὶ τὰ νῦν λέγω $\theta \eta \sigma \alpha \nu$. ύμιν, ἀπόστητε ἀπὸ τῶν ἀνθρώπων, τούτων, καὶ ἐάσατε αὐτούς. ότι έὰν ἢ έξ ἀνθρώπων ἡ βουλὴ αῦτη ἢ τὸ ἔργον τοῦτο, καταλυθήσεται 39 εί δὲ έκ Θεοῦ έστιν, ού δύνασθε καταλῦσαι αὐτὸ, μήποτε καὶ θεομάχοι εύρεθῆτε. 40 Έπείσθησαν δε αὐτῷ· καὶ προσκαλεσάμενοι τους άποστόλους, δείραντες παρήγγειλαν μή λαλείν έπὶ τῷ ὀνόματι τοῦ Ἰησοῦ, καὶ ἀπέλυσαν αὐτούς. 41 Οἰ μεν οδυ επορεύοντο χαίροντες άπο προσώπου τοῦ συνεδρίου, ότι ύπερ του ονόματος αύτου κατηξιώθησαν άτιμασθηναι· 42 πᾶσάν τε ήμέραν έν τῷ ίερῷ καὶ κατ' οἶκον οὐκ ἐταύοντο διδάσκοντες καὶ εὐαγγελιζόμενοι Ἰησοῦν τον Χριστόν.

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slain; and all, as many as obeyed him, were scattered and brought to nothing.

After this man, Judas the 37 Galilean rose up, in the days of the enrollment, and drew away sufficient people after him: and he utterly destroyed himself; and all, as many as were obedient to him, were dispersed. And now I 38 say to you, "Withdraw from these men and let them alone; for if this purpose, or this work be of men, it will be destroyed; butifit be of God, you are not fable to destroy it, and elest, perhaps, you be found 39 to fight against God. And they 40 were persuaded by him; and having called the Apostles, and becourged them, they commanded that they should not speak "upon the name of Jesus, and released them. So 41 they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were esteemed worthy to be dishonored for ' his name. And they did not 42 cease teaching every day, in the temple, and in every house, and proclaiming Jesus the Christ.

d Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the enrollment, λαον ικανον. I think that ικανον should be taken in its primitive sense; sufficient, or enough, λαοι πολλοι, is many people. He drew away sufficient people after him—κακεινος, by crasis, for και εκεινος, and he απωλετο, aor. mid. utterly destroyed himself, and all, as many as persuaded themselves to him επειθουτο (aor. mid.) αυτφ (dat.) were dispersed, is here in the passive form of διεσκορ. I think the mid. and pass. forms used by this historian should be preserved.

[•] Others have it, "In the days of the registration"—having reference to the levying of the tax, εν ταις ημεραις απογραφης, Boothroyd, Wakefield, Hackett, Penn.

^{••} We presume the dual τα v. 38 refers to these two directions --"Refrain from these men. Let them alone," equal to "I say these two things to you"—" withdraw from these men," and "let them alone." Καλαλυθησεται, future ind. pass. of κατα-

λυω, to loosen down. "It will be dissolved or destroyed;" or "It will come to nothing," is too far from the passive form, and withal a little too strong in its signification. It is rendered destroy and dissolve in the com. ver., but in this place only "come to nought."

f Oυ δυνασθε καταλυσαι, you are not able to destroy it. This enables us to retain the infinitive form of καταλυω.

The transposition of "lest perhaps" is sanctioned by De Wette and others. It is, however, a matter of taste.

h Literally, "having scourged them." Equivalent in our English idiom, to "had scourged them," which is more usual. $\Delta \varepsilon \rho \omega$, excorio.

¹ Aυτου is repudiated from the text by the best Manuscripts. Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.

¹ The difference between preaching and teaching Jesus

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AND in those days, when the multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration.

2 Then the twelve called the

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'ΕΝ δὲ ταις ήμέραις ταυταις number of the disciples was $\pi \lambda \eta \theta \nu \nu \dot{\nu} \nu \tau \omega \nu \mu \alpha \theta \eta \tau \dot{\omega} \nu$, $\dot{\epsilon} \gamma \dot{\epsilon}$ number of the disciples beνετο γογγυσμός τῶν Ελληνιστών προς τους Έβραίους, ότι παρεθεωρούντο έν τη διακονία $\tau \hat{\eta}$ καθημεριν $\hat{\eta}$ αἱ χῆραι αὐτῶν. lected in the daily pministra- 2 προσκαλεσάμενοι δε οι δώδεκα tion. Then the Twelve, having 2

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Now, in those days, the 1 ing multiplied, a murmuring of the "Hellenists against the "Hebrews occurred, because their own widows were oneg-

Christ, is very distinctly specified in this passage—It, in fact, | certain husbandmen, and to their proper representatives, but pervades the narratives of the propagation of Christianity. The move is but a herald, and his work is to herald, to announce, proclaim, or preach: but the διδασκαλος, from διδασκω, teaches. He simply addresses the understanding didactically. He may explain, or expound, or interpret a doctrine, or even a fact, or an event. But here his work ceases. But the preacher proclaims a person, or facts, or events, of public importance, and may herald his advent, and announce his mission. The Apostolic preaching had Jesus for its subject, and the Apostolic teaching had Christ for its subject. They preached Jesus as the Christ, and they taught Christ as the most grand and Divine official in the universe.

- k de is here merely continuative and connective, not resumptive nor adversative. Either and, or now may, in this position, represent its full force. Now, in the beginning of a paragraph, is generally preferred, but, where intimate connection is indicated, and, for the most part, is to be preferred. Such is the case before us, in one point of view, but in another it may be regarded as the opening of a new scene, not logically related to the facts stated in the preceding narrative, and, therefore, we prefer now.
- 1 Πληθυνοντων. Πληθυνω, found twelve times in N. T., is, with one exception, always translated by the word multiply, as more expressive of its import than our word increase. With only two exceptions, $\pi \lambda \eta \Im \sigma s$ occurring thirty-two times in our com. ver. is rendered multitude. And what is the fact here? In a few days the disciples increased from 120 to 3120. in a few days more, to 5000. Acts 4:4, and 21:20. There were "many myriads of the Jews" that believed.
- m Not Greeks, Έλληνες,-Hellenists. The "Greek Jews against the Hebrew Jews."
- n Hoos τους Έβοαιους, against the Hebrews. While προς occurs some 750 times in the N. T., and is commonly rendered to, and unto, it is occasionally, necessarily rendered against, as well as among, because in appearing in certain attitudes, and in certain crises, or places, we appear for, or once spoke a parable-προς τους γεωργους-in reference to thereby changed.

in most English versions it is rendered "against them." See also Acts 6:1; 9:5; Mark 12:12. He spoke a parable "against them," com. ver., yet he spoke it to them. "Dash thy foot against a stone," noos lidor, Luke 4:11. "Murmured against his disciples," Luke 5:30. "Kick against the goads," προς κεντρα, Acts 9:5.

- · Ότι παρεθεωρουντο. Literally, looked at askance, impliedly with some degree of neglect. Widows were not universally neglected, but autwr, of themselves, i. e. their own widows. Παραθεωρουντο, used to be "less regarded." This view is intimated in the radical conception of the verb παραθεωρεω-"to look at things side by side," hence comparatively to regard less. See Xen. Memorabilia 4, 87. Dem. 1414, 22. Diodorus Sic. Sect. 36. p. 218. In the N. T. this is an απαξ λεγομενον.
- P Ev in dianovia. Some prefer administration in this place. Ministration, Dodd., Tyndal; Cranmer, distribution; Thompson, ministration or administration. Liazovia denotes all voluntary ministrations, from the humblest to the most august, from that of a church deacon to that of an apostle, even to that of the Lord Jesus Christ. Roman magistrates, the apostles, and the Lord himself are, in the N. T., represented under the word διακονοι, "ministers of God." Sister Phæbe was a diazovos, a deaconess (com. gen.), or servant of the Church of Cenchrea, Rom. 16:1. By the same apostle and in the same epistle ch. 15:8, Jesus Christ is called a dianovos, a deacon or "minister of the circum-

We have our ministers of state, ordinary and extraordinary So has God. He made his Son, his angels, his prophets, priests, and kings, his deacons in the drama of Creation, Providence, moral government, and redemption.

It is of Rome, and her descendants, and especially of the Greeks, and not of Jesus Christ, to name one class of ecclesiastics deacons, to the exclusion of all others. It should also be noted of diazovos and dovlos, that diazovia and dovleias are never convertible terms. The same person may, indeed, against certain purposes, persons, or undertakings. Jesus be a dovlos and a dianovos, but the relation, or attitude, is not

multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.

- 3 Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.
- 4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.
- 5 And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch,
- 6 Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them.

GREEK TEXT.

τὸ πληθος τῶν μαθητῶν, εἶπον, Ούκ άρεστόν έστιν ήμας, καταλείψαντας τον λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ, διακονείν τραπέζαις. 3 έπισκέψασθε οὖν, ἀδελφοὶ, ἄνδρας έξ ύμῶν μαρτυρουμένους έπτὰ, πλήρεις Πνεύματος 'Αγίου και σοφίας, οθς καταστήσομεν έπλ της χρείας ταύτης. 4 ήμεις δε τή προσευχή καὶ τή διακονία τοῦ λόγου προσκαρτερήσομεν. 5 Καὶ ήρεσεν ὁ λόγος ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ πλήθους καὶ έξελέξαντο Στέφανου, ἄνδρα πλήρη πίστεως καὶ Πνεύματος 'Αγίου, καὶ Φίλιππον, καὶ Πρόχορον καὶ Νικάνορα, καὶ Τίμωνα καὶ Παρμεναν, καὶ Νικόλαον προσήλυτον $A
u au \iota \circ \chi \epsilon lpha, \quad \delta \quad \circ \mathring{\circ} \circ \mathring{\circ} \circ \check{\circ} \circ \tau \eta \sigma \alpha
u \quad \check{\epsilon}
u \acute{\omega} - 1$ $\pi \iota o \nu \tau \hat{\omega} \nu \dot{\alpha} \pi o \sigma \tau \dot{\alpha} \lambda \omega \nu$ καὶ $\pi \rho o \sigma$ - presented before the Apostles: ευξάμενοι ἐπέθηκαν αὐτοῖς τὰς and, *praying, they **laid their

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qualled the multitude of the disciples to them. said: Relinquishing the word of God to serve tables is not pleasing to us. Wherefore, brethren, look 3 out among you seven men of attested character, full of the Holy Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint over this "business; but we will give our: 4 selves wholly to prayer, and to the ministry of the word. And 5 the speech was pleasing in the mind of all the people; and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicholas, a proselyte of Antioch: whom they 6

- q Προσκαλεσαμενοι (1st aor. part. mid. of προσκαλεομαι, important to their office, and, therefore, in all similar cases, it advoco), having called.
- * Text-Relinquishing the word of God to serve tables is not pleasing to us, is in strict conformity to the Greek construction of the text as we judge, and better comports with the occasion and the feelings of the Apostles than any version of it we have seen, and has this preëminence that it impinges not in the least upon the grammatical construction and import of every word in the text. It is true it might be more literally read, Having relinquished the word of God, &c. But this evaporates the spirit of the response, and in the construction of the 1st aorist participle is not absolutely demanded.
- ^a Μαρτυρουμενους, attested character, "good fame," Wiclif; "good testimony," Murd.; "of reputation," Thompson.
- · Πλησεις πνευματος. Literally, "full of Holy Spirit," though there is no article in the original, yet we prefer to retain the usual form, "The Holy Spirit." It may be questionable, indeed, whether such a possession of the Holy Spirit as was given to the apostles, and by which they were enabled to work miracles, etc., was a special prerequisite, ih the case of these seven, more than in other members of the church. That they were to possess the influence and personal abiding of the Spirit of God; such a possession of the Holy Spirit manifested in such demonstrations of its sanctifying power, as to qualify them for a faithful discharge of their special duties, was all usage, in appointing to office, was indicative of the devotion

should still be made an indispensable prerequisite.

- " Επι της χοειας ταυτης, over this business, over this necessity. The latter is more in accordance with scriptural usage. It was, however, an employment, and they were to make it a calling, a business. It was a necessary employment, and being an employment it interfered with the Apostles' proper business; and viewed in this contextual light it falls under the character of a business, and is a work as much as was the special work lying upon the Apostles.
- ν Προσκαρτερεω, generally rendered by continue. It implies earnestness, urgency, a continued steadfastness, "instant in prayer." To persevere with strength, Critica Sacra.
- w Προσευξαμενοι επεθηκαν αυτοις τας χειρας. This specially refers to the Apostles, while praying for these seven deacons elect, they placing their hands upon them solemnly set them apart to the work to which they had previously been elected by this great congregation. In pursuance of this solemnity, and the undivided attention of the Apostles to the preaching of the gospel, we are informed that the word of the Lord ηυξανε (increased) in its influence and power, insomuch that even of the priests a great multitude became obedient to the faith.
- ww "They laid their hands upon them."-This Apostolic

7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.

9 Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called the synagogue of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia, and of Asia, disputing with Stephen.

10 And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.

11 Then they suborned men,

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γείρας. 7 καὶ ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ ηύξανε, καὶ έπληθύνετο ὁ άριθμὸς των μαθητών έν Ιερουσαλήμ σφόδρα, πολύς τε όχλος τῶν ίερέων ὑπήκουον τῆ πίστει.

 \mathcal{S} $\Sigma TE\Phi ANO\Sigma$ $\delta \hat{\epsilon}$ $\pi \lambda \acute{n}$ pns πίστεως καὶ δυνάμεως ἐποίει τέρατα καὶ σημεία μεγάλα έν τῷ λαώ. 9 άνέστησαν δέ τινες τών έκ της συναγωγης της λεγομένης Λιβερτίνων, καὶ Κυρηναίων καὶ Aλε ξ ανδρ ϵ ων, καὶ τ $\hat{\omega}$ ν ά π $\hat{\delta}$ Kιλικίας καὶ 'Ασίας, συζητοῦντες τώ Στεφάνω. 10 καὶ οὐκ ἴσχυον άντιστηναι τη σοφία καὶ τῷ πνεύματι ῷ ἐλάλει. 11 τότε ὑπέβαREVISED VERSION.

hands upon them. And the 7 word of God *was increasing, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem was being greatly multiplied, and a great crowd of the priests *was becoming submissive to "the faith. And Stephen, full 8 of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.

"Then there arose certain of 9 the Synagogue-of that composed of the freedmen-Cyrenians and Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia, and of Asia, putting questions to Stephen; and they were not able 10 to resist the wisdom and the bspirit by which he spoke. λου ἄνδρας λέγοντας, "Οτι άκη- And they privately procured 11

accompanied with prayer, indicating that, as the hands were laid upon him, God would impart to him the grace and the spirit of that office. Επεθημαν αυτοις τας χειρας.

- * Hυξανε, imperfect active, was increasing. This imperfect form of the verb happily illustrates a continued progressing influence upon the community, which our indefinite past tense does not express.
- y Holves TE oxlos. This is a bold representation of a great crowd of the priests, and intimates a great excitement, a tumult, an uproar.
- ² Υπακουω indicates a submissive hearing, especially in New Testament usage, but with a dative in the imperfect it means were becoming submissive, and clearly indicates the progress of the reformation of the priests.
- ** The faith"—here indicative of the Evangelical system. $T_{!!}$ π ιστει.
- Then there arose certain persons of the Synagogue that is called Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, disputing with Stephen, and they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spoke. This is an awkward sentence grammatically contemplated, yet of easy interpretation. In his mind, he is about to say, "certain of the Libertines" (των λιβερτινων), of the Freedmen, but in the act of writing this, he throws in as explanatory (εκ της συναγωγης της λεγομενης) out of the Synagogue, that being called the Libertines. Still the sense is clear:-Then certain of the Synagogue, that being composed of freedmen, της λεγομενης (part. pr. pass. of λεγω), to lay, to arrange together, or, as we say of a discourse, to compose. The participle is also in the Gen. Putting questions to

of the person to God—and to some specific service—also | Stephen is both better grammar and sense than disputing with Stephen, and is in harmony with the most radical meaning of συζητεω, mutuo quæro, alterior discepto. See Critica Sacra on this passage under συζητεω, συζητειν, non solum significatum altero de re aliqua disquirere, Acts 6:9, and 9:29. Sed etiam rei alicujus novitate perculsum alterum interpellare, Mark 1:27, and 9:16.

> Λιβερτινων, denotes a class of Freedmen, both Cyrenians and Alexandrians. Critics have much debated this name, each with seeming probability, but without much assurance.-These Freedmen, if we so call them, being Jews, had their own language at Jerusalem. Had these three been distinct classes, regular usage would have called for $\tau\omega\nu$, before each of them. Pierce contends that they were inhabitants of a city, or district of Lybia, called Libertina. Quite probable, (Boothroyd), could we find such a place.

- ^b Ω ελαλει. This being the dative of the cause, or instrument, or we must assign this defense to the immediate inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Hence the impregnability of his defense.
- ^c Υπεβαλον, they suborned. We have been at considerable pains in tracing, in Greek literature, sacred and profane, the current acceptation of ὑποβαλλω to save these Jewish infidels from the imputation of bribery and murder. But it has been a fruitless effort. Υποβαλλω is to suborn, to hire or employ men to falsify, to swear a man's life away for a paltry reward. Subjicio and suborno are its whole area. To suborn is simply to put on a lie of any sort for a reward of any sort. It is found but this once in the Christian Scriptures. Stephen died for the truth through the falsehood and bribery of a corrupt

which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and against God.

- 12 And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and caught him, and brought him to the council.
- 13 And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:
- 14 For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Moses delivered us.
- 15 And all that sat in the council, looking steadfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

CHAP. VII.

THEN said the high priest, Are these things so?

2 And he said, Men, brethren,

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κόαμεν αὐτοῦ λαλοῦντος ρήματα men who said, We have βλάσφημα είς Μωσην καὶ τὸν heard him speaking reviling Θεόν. 12 Συνεκίνησάν τε τον λαον και τους πρεσβυτέρους και τούς γραμματείς, καὶ ἐπιστάντες συνήρπασαν αύτον, καὶ ήγαγον είς το συνέδριον, 13 έστησάν τε μάρτυρας ψευδείς λέγοντας, Ο άνθρωπος οὖτος οὐπαύεται ρήματα cil, and set up false witnesses, 13 βλάσφημα λαλῶν κατὰ τοῦ τόπου saying, This man ceases not to τοῦ ἀγίου τούτου καὶ τοῦ νόμου. speak dwords against this holy 14 ἀκηκόαμεν γὰρ αὐτοῦ λέγοντος, place, and the law: for 'we 14 'Οτι 'Ιησούς ὁ Ναζωραίος ούτος have heard him saying, that καταλύσει τον τόπον τοῦτον, καὶ άλλάξει τὰ έθη ἃ παρέδωκεν ήμιν Μωϋσης. 15 Καὶ ἀτενίσαντες είς αύτον απαντες οι καθεζόμενοι έν τῷ συνεδρίῳ, είδον τὸ πρόσωπον αύτοῦ ώσεὶ πρόσωπον άγγέλου.

CHAP. VII.

Εἶπε δε ὁ ἀρχιερεύς, Εἰ ἄρα ταῦτα οὕτως ἔχει; 2 ° O δὲ ἔφη, Are these things so? And he 2 and fathers, hearken; The God Ανδρες άδελφοι και πατέρες, said, Brethren and fathers,

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words against Moses and against God. And they ex- 12 cited the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and seized, and brought him to the counthis Jesus, the Nazarene, will destroy this place, and change the customs which Moses delivered us. And all gwho sat in 15 the council, looking steadfastly on him, saw his face, as if it had been the face of an angel.

CHAP. VII.

THEN the High Priest said, 1

suborno.-To suborn-to procure privately, or by collusionto procure by any indirect means. The connection here would indicate, not so much that they were foresworn, as privately furnished with answers or instructions.

d Βλασφημα, is of doubtful authority, and repudiated by Griesbach, Sch., Ln., and Tf.—The Vatican, Ephrem, Beza, and Alexandrian MSS., and the most ancient versions, know not the reading.

Βλασφημα, in this place, which is a pleonastic supplement of a later age! for λαλων δηματα κατα as the first two manuscripts read, and ψηματα λαλων κατα as the last two, express the sense of βλασφημα, Granville Penn, Esq. London, 1837. This is, more than probably, a justifiable view of this read-

In this case, they stirred up the people, is too gross. The people were commoved, or put into commotion: elders, priests, scribes, and people were commoved; and they seized and brought Stephen into the Sanhedrim. They caused false witnesses to stand up saying, in the most definite language, The man, this one, ovros, does not restrain himself (indicative and fathers. With this concur Prof. Hack. "Brethren and

Υπεβαλον, ὑποβαλλω, v. 13; subjicio, suppono, as well as | middle) λεγων, saying, or from speaking, or from uttering slanders against του τοπου του άγιου τουτου, (most emphatic) this, the consecrated place, and the law.

- f For we have heard of him; no, but we have heard him saying, that this Jesus the Nazarene will demolish, xarahvoes τον τοπον τουτον, και αλλαξει τα εθη, will change the customs which Moses παρεδωκεν, gave over, ήμιν, to us.
- ^g And all these, καθεζομενοι, seating themselves in the Sanhedrim, areviouvres, fixing their eyes upon him, saw his face, ώσει, used here in comparison, like the face of an angel.
- h Then the High Priest said—Then the Chief Priest said Some prefer the latter, some the former. O apprepers never means the Chief Priest. We have Chief Priests some sixty or more times in com. ver., High Priest, some fifty times. In the singular number, o agreeous always indicates the High Priest; the plural, Chief Priests, never includes him.
- 1 There appear but two classes addressed here, not men, and brethren, and fathers. Avdoes, qualifies both nouns, and therefore, being not a distinct class, we absorb it in brethren

of glory appeared unto our father Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran,

- 3 And said unto him, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and come into the land which I shall shew thee.
- 4 Then came he out of the land of the Chaldeans, and dwelt in Charran. And from thence, when his father was dead, he removed him into this land wherein ye now dwell.
- 5 And he gave him none inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on: yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when as yet he had no child.
- 6 And God spake on this wise, That his seed should sojourn in

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δ Θεὸς της δόξης άκούσατε. ἄφθη τῷ πατρὶ ἡμῶν ᾿Αβραὰμ όντι έν τη Μεσοποταμία, πρίν η κατοικήσαι αύτον έν Χαρράν, καὶ εἶπε πρὸς αὐτὸν, "Εξελθε έκ της γης σου καὶ έκ της συγγενείας σου, καὶ δεῦρο εἰς γῆν $\hat{\eta}\nu$ $\mathring{a}\nu$ σ or $\delta\epsilon i\xi\omega$. 4 T $\acute{o}\tau\epsilon$ $\dot{\epsilon}\xi\epsilon\lambda$ θων έκ γης Χαλδαίων, κατώκησεν έν Χαρράν κάκειθεν μετά τὸ ἀποθανεῖν τὸν πατέρα αὐτοῦ, μετώκισεν αύτον είς την γην ταύτην είς ην ύμεις νυν κατοικείτε· 5 καὶ οὐκ ἔδωκεν αὐτῷ κληρονομίαν έν αὐτῆ, οὐδε βῆμα ποδός καὶ ἐπηγγείλατο αὐτῷ δοῦναι εἰς κατάσχεσιν αὐτὴν, καὶ τῷ σπέρματι αὐτοῦ μετ' αὐτὸν, ούκ ὄντος αὐτ $\hat{\varphi}$ τ $\hat{\epsilon}$ κνου. $\hat{\epsilon}$ $\hat{\epsilon}$ λ $\hat{\alpha}$ λησε δὲ οὕτως ὁ Θεὸς, "Οτι ἔσται a strange land; and that they το σπέρμα αὐτοῦ πάροικον έν γŷ a strange land, and that they

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hearken: The God of the glory appeared to our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in *Haran, and said to him, "Go 3 forth out of your country, and from your kindred, and come into a country that I will show you." Then he came 4 out of the land of the Chaldeans and dwelt in Haran; and thence, mafter his father was dead, God caused him to remove into this land, in which you are now dwelling: but he did not "give 5 him an inheritance in it, not even a foot breadth. Yet he promised that he would give it to him, for a possession, and to his seed after him, when, as yet, he had no child. Then 6 God spoke thus to him: That his seed should be so journers in

Fathers," Booth.—Viri fratres et patres, Vulgate. So also the | Charran, com. ver. Haran. From this place Abraham was Italian, Spanish, and French. Biblia Sacra Polyglot. Dr. Lee; also Adam Clark in loco.

I The God of ($\tau \eta s$ do $\xi \eta s$) the glory. We have $\dot{\eta}$ basileia, ή δυναμις, και ή δοξα, in the Lord's prayer. In the Acts we have $\delta o \xi \alpha$ four times, twice in this chapter, once with, and once without, the article, v. 55. Again we have it ch. 12:23, εδωπε την δοξαν τω Θεω, and ch. 22: 11, απο της δοξης του φωτος EXELVOV. There is a specific glory indicated in some of these cases, but not in all. In the case before us we see no special reason for the article, before glory, unless allusion be made to the call of Abraham out of Ur of the Chaldees, where God first appeared to him, which glorious appearance gave to that place the name ove, or our, contracted Ur, which in Chaldee means light. In Hebrew and Chaldee אור signifies light and fire. It is, therefore, highly probable that, as on other occasions, Bethel, Beersheba, Gershom, Eliezer, etc., commemorate Divine manifestations and interpositions; so Stephen here may allude to the special manifestations of Jehovah to the people of Abraham, and, therefore, prefixes the article, or those who interpreted his speech did so allusively; at all events, we should here insert it as we find it in this significant scene.

Ό Θεος της δοξης, literally, the God of the glory-γίσοthe light, or the visible splendor, in which he appeared to the W., ωφθη, seen by, or appeared to, Abraham.—Εν Χαδδαν, article.

called to the promised land. Stephen, by this allusion, seems to endeavor to subdue prejudices, by associations familiar and agreeable to his audience.

In the same felicitous manner, v. 3, he emphasizes on his call, εκ της γης σου, and εκ της συγγενειας σου, -- forsake your country and your kindred-just what the martyr Stephen and his associates were virtually doing, in joining themselves to the Christian party.—Εκ της γης, out of the country of their kindred; $\varepsilon\iota s \gamma\eta\nu$, into a country. The power of the article and of the want of it is well exhibited here, out of the into a country.

- ^k Χαδόαν, now the resort of wandering Arabs, is a monumental name. It was Haran, in Mesopotamia, monumental of the son of Terah, father of Abraham, Nahor, and Haran.
- 1 Here there is no article before γη. Yet we allow it because this land is already defined and made definite. In this we differ from, and excel, the Greeks who had only one
- m After, rather than when, his father was dead. Μετα with Acc. post, after.
- n Ουκ εδωκεν αυτφ κληρονομιαν εν αυτη, he gave him not an inheritance in it, ουδε βημα ποδος, not even a foot breadth. Fathers of Israel. The symbol of his presence. Bloomf., De How precisely the sense is here given by the absence of the

should bring them into bondage, and entreat them evil four hundred years.

7 And the nation to whom they shall be in bondage will I judge, said God: and after that shall they come forth, and serve me in this place.

8 And he gave him the covenant of circumcision. And so Ahraham begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac begat Jacob, and Jacob begat the twelve patriarchs.

9 And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him,

10 And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him $\tau \hat{\omega} \nu \theta \lambda i \psi \epsilon \omega \nu \alpha i \tau \hat{\omega} \nu \theta \lambda i \psi \epsilon \omega \lambda \epsilon \nu \delta \omega \kappa \epsilon \nu$ all his afflictions, and gave

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άλλοτρία, καὶ δουλώσουσιν αὐτὸ καὶ κακώσουσιν, ἔτη τετρακόσια. ' καὶ τὸ ἔθνος, ὧ ἐὰν δουλεύσωσι, κρινῶ έγω, εἶπεν ὁ Θεός. καὶ μετὰ ταῦτα έξελεύσονται, καὶ λατρεύσουσί μοι ἐν τῶ τόπω τούτφ. 8 Καὶ έδωκεν αὐτῷ διαθήκην περιτομής καὶ οῦτως έγέννησε τον Ίσαακ, και περιέτεμεν αὐτὸν τῆ ἡμέρα τῆ ὀγδόη καὶ ὁ 'Ισαὰκ τὸν 'Ιακὼβ, καὶ ὁ 'Ιακὼβ τους δώδεκα πατριάρχας. 9 καὶ οί πατριάρχαι ζηλώσαντες τὸν Ίωσὴφ ἀπέδοντο είς Αἴιγυπτον· καὶ ἦν ὁ Θεὸς μετ' αὐτοῦ, 10 καὶ έ ξ είλετο αὐτὸν έκ πασῶν

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should enslave, and oppress them of our hundred years. And 7 the nation to whom they shall be in bondage, I will ppunish, said God, and after this they shall come forth and serve me in this place. And God gave Abraham a 8 *covenant of circumcision; and so he begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day. And Isaac begat Jacob, and Jacob begat the twelve patriarchs. And the patriarchs, "moved 9 with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt. But God was with him, and delivered him out of 10

e "Four hundred years." This is a round sum, rather than a precise one. Paul, in a chronological argument concerning the superiority, in point of antiquity, of the Promise, to the giving of the Law, makes that interval four hundred and thirty years (Gal. 3:17), beginning with the calling of Abraham, at the age of 75 years. This event antedated the giving of the law 430 years—the interval which Paul computes, between the first promise made to Abraham, concerning the Seed, in whom all the families of the earth should be blessed. The whole period of the sojourning of Abraham and his seed, from the first promise to him, at 75, till the Exodus, was 430 years; 215 before their descent into Egypt, and 215 years in it.—The covenant of the promised seed antedates the covenant of circumcision, consummated on the birth of Isaac, twenty-five years.

The sum of four hundred and thirty is computed as follows: From the promise to the birth of Isaac, 25 years. From the birth of Isaac to that of Jacob, 60 years, Gen. 25: 26; Jacob was 130 years old, when he went down into Egypt. These added, give 215 years. And just as long time his children dwelt in Egypt, Gal. 3: 17.—See Dr. Whitby, Dr. Adam Clark in loco.

- r Κοινω εγω. Κοινω is represented by "sue at law," judge, ordain, esteem, determine, condemn, decree, damn, avenge, punish.
- 4 Λατρευσουσι. Λατρευω, represented by serve, seventeen times; four times by worship, com. ver. Serve is generic, worship is specific; and, therefore, in this case we prefer the genus to the species, inasmuch as the Jews' religion was rather a fleshly service than a spiritual worship. They served archs were moved with envy.

• "Four hundred years." This is a round sum, rather than in the oldness of the letter, but Christians worship and serve precise one. Paul, in a chronological argument concerning less than the oldness of spirit and in truth, and not in the oldness the superiority, in point of antiquity, of the Promise, to the

- r Διαθημην περιτομης, he gave him a covenant of circum cision, an institution of circumcision. Διαθημη occurs 33 times in N. T., represented by testament 13 times. It properly indicates an institution, not a testament, only in the case of a testator. Generically, any institution proposed by one party. Συνθημη with the Greeks indicated a covenant or contract between two parties, equal or confederate. But a διαθημη is, or may be, absolute, and enacted by one party in power, to which submission and acquiescence may be due from another party. Such are all Divine institutions.
- * Ούτως εγεννησε τον Ισαακ, και περιετεμεν. The ούτως here has respect to the circumcising, as the context indicates, and yet it is not in our idiom so historically direct as we could wish. But, the point being so well understood by the Jews, he proceeds with the genealogy and not with the details of circumcision, which everybody understood.
- ^τ Και ὁ Ισαακ τον Ιακωβ. This is preceded by εγεννησε τον Ισαακ. Here, as in other cases, we have the article, to give eminence or special conspicuity, as in the same verse τους $\delta\omega\delta\epsilon$ κα πατριαρχας—the twelve patriarchs—presuming that they were notorious persons.
- ¹¹ Σηλωσαντες. Σηλοω is used in four acceptations in the Christian Scriptures. It indicates simple desire and zeal. It is taken in bonam partem and in malam partem. I am jealous, I am zealous, I desire, I covet. "Covet," says Paul, "the best gifts," not for your own sake, but for the sake of others. Here it is taken in a bad sense, in malam partem, the patriarchs were moved with envy.

of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt, and all his house.

11 Now there came a dearth over all the land of Egypt and Chanaan, and great affliction; and our fathers found no sustenance.

12 But when Jacob heard that there was corn in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first.

13 And at the second time Joseph was made known to his brethren: and Joseph's kindred was made known unto Pharaoh.

14 Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to him, and all his kindred, three score and fifteen souls.

15 So Jacob went down into Egypt, and died, he, and our fathers.

16 And were carried over into Sychem, and laid in the sepulchre that Abraham bought for a sum of money of the sons of Emmor, the father of Sychem.

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favour and wisdom in the sight αὐτῷ χάριν καὶ σοφίαν ἐναντίον Φαραω βασιλέως Αίγύπτου, καὶ κατέστησεν αὐτὸν ἡγούμενον έπ Αίγυπτον καὶ ὅλον τὸν οἶκον αύauοῦ. 11 ἦλ $heta\epsilon$ δ $\dot{\epsilon}$ λιμὸς $\dot{\epsilon}$ φ' ὅλην την γην Αιγύπτου καὶ Χαναάν, καὶ θλίψις μεγάλη καὶ ούχ εΰρισκον χορτάσματα οἱ πατέρες 12 ἀκούσας δ $\grave{\epsilon}$ Ίακ $\grave{\omega}eta$ ήμῶν. όντα σίτα έν Αιγύπτω, έξαπέστειλε τους πατέρας ήμων πρώτον· 13 καὶ έν τῷ δευτέρῳ ἀνεγνωρίσθη 'Ιωσήφ τοις άδελφοις αύτου, καὶ φανερον έγενετο τώ Φαραὼ τὸ γένος τοῦ Ἰωσήφ. 14 ἀποστείλας δὲ Ἰωσηφ μετεκαλέσατο του πατέρα αυτου Ίακώβ, καὶ πάσαν την συγγένειαν αύτου, έν ψυχαις έβδομηκονταπέντε. 15 κατέβη δὲ Ἰακωβ είς Αίγυπτον, καὶ ἐτελεύτησεν αὐτὸς καὶ οἱ πατέρες ἡμῶν 16 καὶ μετετέθησαν εἰς Συχέμ, καὶ ἐτέθησαν έν τῷ μνήματι ο ώνήσατο 'Αβραὰμ τιμῆς ἀργυρίου, παρὰ rpurchased with a sum of τῶν νίῶν Ἐμμὸρ τοῦ Συχέμ. money of Hamor, father of

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him favor and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh, king of Egypt: and he made him governor over Egypt, and all his household.

Now there came a "famine 11 upon all the land of Egypt and Canaan, and great affliction: and our fathers found no sustenance. But Jacob, 12 *having heard that there was grain in Egypt, first sent our fathers. And at the second 13 time, Joseph was amade known to his brethren; and Joseph's kindred became well known to Pharaoh.

Then Joseph sent and 14 called his father Jacob to him; and all shis kindred, dseventy-five souls. So Jacob 15 went down into Egypt, and died, he and our fathers, and 16 were carried over into Shechem, and laid in a sepulchre-that which Abraham

- * God gave to Joseph χαριν και σοφιαν—both anarthrous. Like grace, or favor, it may be absolute and without measure, or it may be, in certain circumstances, a special grace, favor, or gift. It is, therefore, not a favor and a wisdom, nor the favor and the wisdom, but, superior to both, and more honorable, undefined favor and wisdom in the presence of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt.
- * Διμος- θλιψις μεγαλη και ουχ χορτασματα-all indefinite, -famine, tribulation, no sustenance.
- * Azovoas, part. aor., having heard, but quite as truthful and as tasteful, when Jacob heard.
- Σετος, fourteen times found in N. T., twelve times rendered wheat, twice corn, com. ver. Frumentum is its most general sense, triticum, often. Grain is a generic term, including all sorts, therefore preferable here.
- ² Ποωτον, adverb, first, first time. Εξαπεστείλε, they were literally his apostles, in quest of food.

- ^a Ανεγνωρισθη---αναγνωριζομαι. This is an άπαξ λεγο-special case. But it is unlimited, like Πνευμα Άγιον, not known, or revealed to his brethren. We need not pleonasticmerely indefinite, but abstract or absolute, as the case may be. ally say he was again made known, but simply made known, never before having been made known.
 - b Φανερον το γενος, his kindred became well-known.
 - ^ο Αύτου-omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.-fairly, however, implied.
 - d These "seventy-five souls" must include the five sons of Ephraim and Manasseh-and probably other descendants of Joseph, to sustain the reading adopted; of which, however, we have never seen a wholly satisfactory vindication. We follow the text of Bagster. Herre is of doubtful authority.
 - · Ο ωνησατο-τιμης αργυριου, purchased with a sum of money, an estimate of silver. Hapa, beside of the sons of Hamor. Του Συχεμ-του εν Συχεμ, rejected by Ln.
 - f Παρα των νίων Εμμορ του Συχεμ, near to. Dr. Clark's correction of the text here is plausible. Whether the purchase here mentioned was made by Abraham or by Jacob is litigated on manuscript authority. But as manuscripts are still

17 But when the time of the promise drew nigh, which God had sworn to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt,

18 Till another king arose,

which knew not Joseph.

19 The same dealt subtilly with our kindred, and evil-entreated our fathers, so that they cast out their young children, to the end they might not live.

20 In which time Moses was born, and was exceeding fair, and nourished up in his father's house

three months:

21 And when he was cast out, Pharaoh's daughter took him up, and nourished him for her own son.

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17 Καθώς δε ήγγιζεν ο χρόνος της έπαγγελίας ης ὤμοσεν ὁ Θεὸς τῷ ᾿Αβραὰμ, ηὖξησεν ὁ λαὸς καὶ έπληθύνθη έν Αιγύπτω, 18 ἄχρις οδ άνέστη βασιλεύς έτερος, δς 19 οὖτος ούκ ήδει των Ίωσήφ. κατασοφισάμενος το γένος ήμων, έκάκωσε τους πατέρας ήμῶν, τοῦ ποιείν έκθετα τὰ βρέφη αὐτών, είς το μη ζωογονείσθαι. ῷ καιρῷ ἐγεννήθη Μωσης, καὶ ην άστείος τῷ Θεῷ· ος ἀνετράφη μηνας τρείς έν τῷ οἴκω τοῦ πατρὸς αύτοῦ. 21 ἐκτεθέντα δὲ αὐτον, ανείλετο αύτον ή θυγάτηρ Φαραώ, καὶ ἀνεθρέψατο αὐτὸν and nourished him for her own

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Shechem. But, according as 17 the time of the promise, which God has sworn to Abraham, was drawing near, the people had grown and multiplied in Egypt, btill another 18 king arose, who had not known Joseph. 'The same hav- 19 ing treated our race craftily, oppressed our fathers, that they might expose their infants, in order that they might not be preserved alive. At this time Moses was born, 20 and was 'exceedingly beautiful; who was nourished in his father's house, three months. And, he being exposed, Phara- 21 oh's daughter madopted him.

accumulating we shall not enter into the merits of the question, have not all the ancient manuscripts, we shall retain this till on which there is not an element of faith or piety depend-

It is not a historic fact, that Abraham bought this field, or plot of ground.—This discrepancy is happily corrected by Adam Clark. His critical note on the passage we shall here

"Two accounts seem here to be confounded. 1st. The purchase made by Abraham of the cave and field of Ephron, which was in the field of Machpelah; this purchase was made from the children of Heth, Gen. 23: 3, 10, 17. 2nd. The purchase made by Jacob, from the sons of Hamor, or Emmor, of a sepulchre, in which the bones of Joseph were laid; this was in Sychem, or Shechem, Gen. 33:19; Josh. 14:32. The word Abraham, therefore, in this place, is certainly a mistake; and the word Jacob, which some have supplied, is, doubtless, more proper. Bp. Pearce supposes that Luke originally wrote, δ ωνησατο τιμης αργυριου, which he bought for a sum of money; that is, which Jacob bought, who is the last person of the singular number spoken of in the preceding verse. Those who saw that the word wnnoaro, bought, had no nominative case joined to it, and did not know where to find the proper one, seem to have inserted Αβρααμ, Abraham, in the text, for that purpose, without sufficiently attending to the different circumstances of his purchase, from that of Jacob."-Acts 7:16.

Some think that Dr. Clark is not sufficient authority for correcting the text, against the authority of so many manuscripts. Some of which read "our father," without any proper name. But the Syriac-the oldest translation-retains the name Abraham. Murdock's Syriac reads it, "which Abraham bought with money of the sons of Emmor." And as we the participle is not an accusative absolute.

we find some more plausible authority for repudiating re-

- But (xa9ws) according to the time of the promise which God (ωμολογησεν, Ln., Tf., on the authority of A.B.C. vul. 15. 36, so Alf.) openly declared.
- h Αχρις ού ανεστη βασιλευς έτερος. In. and some others add en' Aιγυπτον, in Egypt.
 - 1 Ούτος, this king, v. 18.
- 1 Κατασοφισαμένος το γένος ήμων, having craftily treated. Ingeniosus adversus aliquem, Acts 7: 19, Critica Sacra. It is worthy of notice, that this is the identical word found in the Septuagint, Exodus 1:10, as expressive of the wicked subtilty practiced upon the Israelites by the Egyptian despotism, well defined, "Sophismatis, et argutis fallaciis utor adversus aliquem, quasi falsis et sophisticis rationibus et cavillationibus redarguens. LXX. Interpretes utuntur hoc verbo. Ex. 1:10-Dealt subtilely, Penn. Mischievously politic, Thom. Unjusty. Wak., Wes. Craftily, Murd.
- * Του ποιειν εκθετα τα βρέφη αύτων, by casting out, or exposing their babes that they might not live.
- 1 Και ην αστειος τω Θεω. He was exceeding beautiful, beautiful to God. The Hebrews, to express the superlative degree, were sometimes accustomed to add to their nouns the word God. Hence we read in Hebrew of "the cedars of God," "the mountains of God," indicative of lofty mountains and towering cedars. Moses then was beautiful to God, that is, superlatively beautiful. Πολις μεγαλη τω Θεω, Jonas 3:3, Sept., the same form of the Hebrew superlative. - Hack.
 - m Aveilero, not from the water, but tollere liberos, adopted.
- n Ανεθρεψατο αυτον έαυτη εις νίον, nourished him; εις, in order to, or for a son to herself, for her own son. Avrov with

22 And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds.

23 And when he was full forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren the children

24 And seeing one of them suffer wrong, he defended him, and avenged him that was oppressed, and smote the Egyptian:

25 For he supposed his brethren would have understood how that God by his hand would deliver them: but they understood not.

26 And the next day he shewed himself unto them as they strove, and would have set them at one again, saying, Sirs, ye are brethren; why do ye wrong one to another?

27 But he that did his neighbour wrong, thrust him away, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge over us?

28 Wilt thou kill me, as thou didst the Egyptian yesterday?

29 Then fled Moses at this saying, and was a stranger in the land of Madian, where he begat two sons.

30 And when forty years were $\sigma \epsilon \nu$ vious $\delta \dot{\nu} o$.

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έαυτη είς υίον. 22 καὶ έπαιδεύθη Μωσης πάση σοφία Αίγυπτίων ην δε δυνατός έν λόγοις καὶ έν 23 'Ως δὲ ἐπληροῦτο ξργοις. αὐτῷ τεσσαρακονταετης χρόνος, ανέβη έπὶ την καρδίαν αὐτοῦ έπισκέψασθαι τους άδελφους αύτοῦ τοὺς υίοὺς Ἰσραήλ. ίδών τινα άδικούμενον, νατο καὶ ἐποίησεν ἐκδίκησιν τώ καταπονουμένω, πατάξας τον Αί-²⁵ ένομιζε δε συνιέναι τους άδελφους αύτου, ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς δια χειρος αυτου δίδωσιν αυτοις $\sigma\omega\tau\eta\rho(\alpha\nu)$ of $\delta\epsilon$ of $\sigma\nu\eta\eta\kappa\alpha\nu$. $rec{26}{26}$ $rec{1}{10}$ $rec{1}$ $rec{1}{10}$ $rec{1}$ $rec{1}$ αύτοις μαχομένοις, και συνήλασεν αὐτοὺς εἰς εἰρήνην, εἰπων, "Ανδρες, άδελφοί έστε ύμεις." ίνατι άδικεῖτε άλλήλους; ²⁷ 'Ο δὲ ἀδικῶν τὸν πλησίον, ἀπώσατο αύτον, είπων, Τίς σε κατέστησεν άρχοντα καὶ δικαστην έφ' ήμας; μη άνελείν με σὺ θέλεις, ον τρόπον ἀνείλες χθες τον Αίγύπτιον; 29 "Εφυγε δε Μωσης έν τῷ λογῷ τούτῷ, καὶ ἐγένετο πάροικος έν γη Μαδιάμ, οδ έγέννη- 30 $K\alpha i \pi \lambda n \rho \omega$ - REVISED VERSION.

son. And Moses was reducated 22 in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was pmighty in his words and in chis actions.

And when he was full forty 23 years old, it came into his heart to look after his brethren, the children of Israel. And see- 24 ing one of them rwronged, he defended him, and avenged him who was oppressed, smiting the Egyptian. He 25 supposed, "indeed, his brethren would have understood that God, by his hand, would deliver them: but they did not understand. And the next 26 day, he showed himself to them as they were quarreling, and would have "compelled them to peace, saying, You are brethren; why do you wrong one another? But he 27 who did his neighbor wrong, thrust him away, saving, Who made you a ruler and a judge over us? Will you kill me, as 28 you killed the Egyptian yesterday? Then Moses fled 'at this 29 saying, and was a stranger in wthe land of Midian, in which he begot two sons. And when 30

but of the manner. De Wette, Win., and some others, render usually rendered why, is an abbreviation of three words, wa

[·] Επαιδευθη παση σοφια, dative, not of the instrument, of his countrymen. After εστε-ύμειε is redundant. Ίνατι, it, by the wisdom of the Egyptians, as the instrument of his τι γενηται, in order to what should it be = why? culture. "The accusative would be the ordinary case after this passive."-Hack.

in strength, as his speeches fully attest.

⁴ Λύτον should be added to εν λογοις και εργοις.—Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. It is more definitive, and seems to be demanded.

^{*} Αδικουμενον, injured by violence, Ex. 2:11. Εποιησεν εκδικησιν, avenged the wrong, or wrought redress. Παταξας τον Αιγυπτιον, smiting, killing the Egyptian.

Δε is frequently, in Luke's style, very elegantly rendered, indeed-vero, which in such cases as this, we conceive is in better taste than autem, igitur, sed, tamen, quin, or porro.

^{*} Ωφθη αυτοις, showed himself, appeared—to them—two v. 36; 13:19, εν γη Χανααν.

Συνηλασεν, drew together, compelled-would have compelled them to peace, as the sequel shows, but failed, through P Δυνατος εν λογοις, not so fluent as Aaron, but above him the acerbity of their temper. Only found in this passage N. T. Not by violence but by argument.

^{*} Εν τω λογω τουτω. This is superlatively definite, because it became a pregnant fact in his future history. Exodus 2:12. Pharaoh now sought his life.

^{*} Εν γη Μαδιαμ, in the land of Midian, or rather Madiam. It is common to omit the article before yn, "when any adjective or adjunct is connected immediately with it," just as in the case of Πνευμα, with Άγιον. Cases of special import not requiring it, the adjective itself being definitive. See

expired, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount Sina, an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire in a bush.

- 31 When Moses saw it, he wondered at the sight; and as he drew near to behold it, the voice of the Lord came unto him.
- 32 Saying, I am the God of thy fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Then Moses trembled, and durst not behold.
- 33 Then said the Lord to him, Put off thy shoes from thy feet: for the place where thou standest is holy ground. 34 I have seen, I have seen $\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\tau\dot{\nu}$.

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θέντων έτων τεσσαράκοντα, ώφθη αύτῷ ἐν τῆ ἐρήμῳ τοῦ ὅρους Σινᾶ άγγελος κυρίου έν φλογί πυρός 31 ὁ δὲ Μωσῆς ἰδὼν έθαύμασε τὸ ὅραμα· προσερχομένου δὲ αὐτοῦ κατανοῆσαι, ἐγένετο φονή κυρίου πρός αύτον, 32 Έγω ὁ Θεὸς των πατέρων σου, ὁ Θεὸς 'Αβραὰμ καὶ ὁ Θεὸς 'Ισαὰκ καὶ ὁ Θεὸς Ἰακώβ. "Εντρομος δε γενόμενος Μωσης ούκ έτόλμα κατανοήσαι. ³³ εἶπε δὲ αὐτῷ ὁ κύριος, Αῦσον τὸ ὑπόδημα των ποδων σου ο γάρ τόπος ἐν ὧ ἔστηκας, γῆ ἁγία REVISED VERSION.

forty years were expired, there appeared to him, in the wilderness of the mountain, Sinai, a *messenger of the Lord, 'in a flame of fire in a bush. And when 31 Moses saw it he wondered at the sight; and, as he drew near to *contemplate it, the voice of the Lord came to him, saving, I am the God of your fathers, 32 the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Then Moses trembled and durst not look. Then 33 the Lord said to him, Put off your behoes from your feet, for the place on which you stand 34 ίδων είδον την κάκω- is holy ground. Truly I have 34

* "An angel of the Lord." Rather in this case, a messenger | have been appositely translated or transferred in their original of the Lord. There does not appear to have been an angel here; for the Lord himself was here and spoke to Moses, in his own person. The supernatural fire was, in this case, a messenger of the Lord, to indicate his own presence. We are elsewhere told "He maketh the winds his angels, and a flame of fire his minister." Paul to the Hebrews, founds an argument in favor of the supreme Divinity of the Lord Messiah, on the name given to him, in contrast with that given to the higest rank of created

The Jews said the law was given by angels, and gloried in it. But says Paul, he gives this title and style to the winds and lightnings of heaven. But to the Son he saith: "Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever, etc.—God thy God has christed anointed thee with the oil of joy" above all coordinate functionaries. This beautiful and triumphant argument of the supreme Deity of the Lord Jesus is measurably lost in the com. ver. We, therefore, prefer to translate angel by messenger, especially when an argument depends upon it. All missionaries, whether spiritual or material, are properly styled angels. But all angels are not properly styled spirits.

It would seem expedient, in all such cases, either to transfer the word angel, or uniformly translate it messenger. And so of the words αποστολος, διακονος, ευαγγελιστης, πρεσβυτερος, επισχοπος, Apostle, Deacon, Evangelist, Presbyter, Bishop. This class of words has a currency and a sense in the Apostolic writings, which they have not in their mere etymology. It is rather Hebraistic than Grecian, and can be ascertained only through a very strict analysis of New Testament usage. They ought all to live absolute before a finite verb indicates the reality of an

form. There is, however, no controversy as to their meaning.

- y Εν φογι πυρος βατου. Hupos here supplies the place of an adjective, in the fiery flame of a bush. Comp. 9:15; 2 Thess.
- * Karavonoai, not to behold, nor to observe a vision (a rare work, indeed!) but to contemplate, to consider, animadvert; not in its present appropriated acceptation, but in its original etymological sense, to turn the mind to an object or subject. We find it well defined by an old critic long laid on the shelf. Non est, simpliciter intelligere, inspicere, sed magno studio mentem in rem intendere.—Pareus on Hebrews 3:1. Crit. Sacr.
- a Heas avrov omitted by Ln., Tf., a probable omission with Griesb. O Geos before Ioaan and before Ianws omitted by In. and Tf. The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is equipollent.
 - ^b Υποδημα, a distributive singular for the plural.—Hackett.
- · Γη άγια εστιν, comparatively few of the Christian profession realize the full force of this family-Aγιος, άγιοτης, άγιωσυνη, àγιαζω, etc. Its root etymological is simply άγη, a negative or privative of yn, earth. We are aware that some derive it from αζω, colo, veneor, I worship, I venerate; and a few from άγος, veneratio, a word of two very diverse significations-in bonam et malam cadit significationem. שֹבים, Kodesh, non rem sanctam, neque sanctitatur, sed Sanctuarium sive locum sanctum significat, Ps. 110:3 (ut Ps. 20:3, et 63:3) non quidem Templum sed vel urbem Hierosolyma, uti Kimchius voluit, vel potius arceni Sionis, Bootius Animadversiones. Sac. Lib. 2. Leigh, Holiness to the Lord, Separation to the Lord, is the radix, the tap-root of this tree of life everlasting.
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 m d}$ $I\delta\omega
 u$ $\epsilon\iota\delta\sigma
 u=$ דאה רארתר, truly I have seen. An infini-

is in Egypt, and I have heard their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. now come, I will send thee into Egypt.

35 This Moses, whom they refused, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge? the same did God send to be a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel which appeared to him in the bush.

36 He brought them out, after that he had shewed wonders and signs in the land of Egypt, and in the Red sea, and in the wilderness forty years.

37 This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear.

38 This is he, that was in the

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the affliction of my people which σιν τοῦ λαοῦ μου τοῦ ἐν Αἰγύπτω, καὶ τοῦ στεναγμοῦ αὐτῶν ήκουσα· καὶ κατέβην έξελέσθαι αὐτούς καὶ νῦν δεῦρο, ἀποστελῶ σε είς Αίγυπτον. 35 Τοῦτον τὸν Μωϋσην ον ήρνησαντο είποντες, Τίς σε κατέστησεν ἄρχοντα καὶ δικαστήν; τοῦτον ὁ Θεὸς ἄρχοντα καὶ λυτρωτην ἀπέστειλεν έν χειρὶ αγγέλου τοῦ όφθέντος αὐτῷ έν τη βάτω. 36 οδτος έξήγαγεν αύτοὺς, ποιήσας τέρατα καὶ σημεῖα ểν γ $\hat{\eta}$ Aὶγύ π του καὶ ἐν ἐρυhetaρ \hat{a} θαλάσση, καὶ ἐν τῆ ἐρήμῳ ἔτη τεσσαράκοντα. 37 Οδτός έστιν ο Μωϋσης ο είπων τοις νίοις 'Ισραηλ, Προφήτην υμίν άναστήσει κύριος ο Θεος ύμων έκ τῶν ἀδελφῶν ὑμῶν ὡς ἐμέ· αὐτοῦ ἀκούσεσθε. 38 Οδτός ἐστιν church in the wilderness with δ $\gamma \epsilon \nu \delta \mu \epsilon \nu o s$ $\epsilon \nu \tau \hat{\eta}$ $\epsilon \kappa \kappa \lambda \eta \sigma i \alpha$ $\epsilon \nu$ gation in the wilderness, with

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seen the affliction of my people, who are in Egypt, and have heard their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. And now, come, I will send you into Egypt. This Moses, whom 35 they had rejected, saying, Who made you a ruler and a judge? God sent 'the same to be a ruler and a deliverer, by the hand of the messenger that appeared to him in the bush. He 36 brought them out, after showing wonders and signs, in the fland of Egypt, and in the Red Sea, and in the wilderness, forty years. This is the Moses 37 who said to the children of Israel, The Lord your God will raise up a prophet for you, of your brethren, as he raised me up; you shall hear shim. This 38 is he who was in the "congre-

act, or an effect of it in the highest degree. See Gesenius, | assembly; persons convened by authority, a people obedient Heb. Gram., § 128, 3. Some prefer αποστείλω to αποστελλω. The subjunctive could be used as future (W. § 42, 4), adopted probably from the Sept.-Hackett.

* Τουτον is here emphatic. Ηρνησαντο, one person's act, is here representative of the nation v. 27, τις σε ματεστησαν αρχοντα etc., who constituted you a captain over us?

Λοχοντα και δικαστην=λυτρωτην, they renounced Moses as a Ruler and a Judge, yet God constituted him their Ruler and Redeemer; and that, too, by the hand of an angel. Tov og Ferros, the one who was seen by him, or who appeared to him, in the unconsumed burning bush.

- f Εν γη Αιγυπτου και εν ερυθρά θαλασση, not in a land of Egypt, nor in a Red Sea; for although anarthrous in form they are definite in the grammatical fact, that adjectives and definitive circumstances, dispense with the proper or peculiar use of the article. This further illustrates and confirms the fact that Πνευμα Άγιον is not grammatically a Holy Spirit, any more than γη Αιγυπτου is, grammatically, a land of Egypt.
- F Avrov anovosods is repudiated from the text by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf., and so is χυριος and ὑμων by Gb.
- h This is a very definite verse. Ούτος εστιν ὁ γενομενος-

to a Divine call. But λογια ζωντα are likewise anarthrous, yet not to be represented living oracles, but the life-giving

Εππλησια. "In the church in the wilderness." "In the congregation in the wilderness." This term is found in the Christian Scriptures 115 times; of these, 111 times translated com. ver.—church, and thrice, assembly. In the Septuagint version of O. Testament, we commonly find εκκλησια, where in the English we have congregation: while in the New, com. version, we find congregation once, and assembly once for the Greek εκκλησια, 115 times. With us the word "church" and meeting are most current. Of dissenting denominations it was said formerly they go to "meeting," but now they all go to "church," as the Jew goes to his synagogue.

A new and improved version should harmonize these denominational diversities. We, therefore, substitute the word "congregation," as most appositely representing the original. True the words "called out," or "the called out," were it a current designation, would still more literally develope the import of εκκλησια. It is associated with πανηγορια, in Heb. 12: 23, which is rendered the "General Assembly"τη εκκλησια-τη ερημω-του αγγελου-του λαλουντος, εν τω even the congregation of the "First Born." Κυριοκι, as an ορει-των πατερων. It settles the grammatical and historical abbreviation of κυριου οικος, a house of the Lord, is not found import of exalgoia beyond logical or grammatical debate. It in Ecclesiastic antiquity. The Scotch Kyrk, or kirk, or the was and is, and evermore shall be, a people called out, an Saxon Cyric, or circ, or the Danish kirke, was applied to the

the angel which spake to him in $\tau \hat{\eta} \epsilon \rho \hat{\eta} \mu \omega \mu \epsilon \tau \hat{\alpha} \tau \delta \hat{\nu} \alpha \gamma \epsilon \lambda \delta \delta v \tau \delta \hat{\nu}$ the messenger that spoke to the mount Sina, and with our fathers: who received the lively oracles to give unto us:

39 To whom our fathers would not obey, but thrust him from them, and in their hearts turned back again into Egypt,

40 Saying unto Aaron, Make us gods to go before us: for as for this Moses, which brought us out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.

those days, and offered sacrifice unto the idol, and rejoiced in the works of their own hands.

42 Then God turned, and gave them up to worship the host of heaven; as it is written in the book of the prophets, O ye house of Israel, have ye offered to me slain beasts and sacrifices by the space of forty years in the wilderness?

43 Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star $\sigma \kappa \eta \nu \dot{\eta} \nu \tau o \hat{\nu}$ Moloch, $\kappa \alpha \dot{\nu}$ of Moloch, and the star of

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λαλούντος αυτώ έν τω όρει Σινά καὶ τῶν πατέρων ἡμῶν, δς ἐδέξατο λόγια ζώντα δοῦναι ήμῖν. ούκ ήθελησαν ύπήκοοι γενέσθαι οί πατέρες ήμων, άλλ' ἀπώσαντο, καὶ ἐστράφησαν ταῖς καρδίαις αυτών είς Αίγυπτον, 40 είποντες τῷ 'Ααρων, Ποίησον ἡμῖν θεούς οὶ προπορεύσονται ἡμῶν ὁ γὰρ Μωσης ούτος, ος έξηγαγεν ήμας έκ γης Αἰγύπτου, οὐκ οἴδαμεν τί 41 And they made a calf in γέγονεν αὐτῷ. 41 Καὶ έμοσχοποίησαν έν ταις ήμέραις έκείναις, καὶ ἀνήγαγον θυσίαν τῷ εἰδώλῳ, καὶ εὐφραίνοντο έν τοῖς έργοις τῶν χειρῶν αὐτῶν. 42 "Εστρεψε δὲ ὁ Θεὸς, καὶ παρέδωκεν αὐτοὺς λατρεύειν τη στρατιά τοῦ ούρανοῦ καθώς γέγραπται έν βίβλω τῶν προφητῶν, Μὴ σφάγια καὶ θυσίας προσηνέγκατέ μοι έτη τεσσαράκοντα έν τη έρημω, οίκος $I\sigma
holpha\eta\lambda$; 43 καὶ ἀνελά $eta\epsilon au\epsilon$ τ $\dot{\eta}
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him in the mount Sinai, and with our fathers, who received the life-giving oracles to give to us: whom our fathers would 39 not obey, but thrust him from them, and in their hearts turned back again into Egypt, saying to Aaron, Make us 40 ^jgods to go before us: because, as for this Moses, who brought us out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what is become of him. And they *made a 41 calf in those days, and offered sacrifice to the idol, and 'rejoiced in the work of their own hands. Then God "turned and 42 gave them up to worship the "army of heaven: as it is written in the book of the prophets; O house of Israel, have you offered to me slain beasts and sacrifices, during forty years in the wilderness? 'You 43 even took up the tabernacle

house, in which Christians met for worship. In the Greek | mentioned Ex. 32:6. Tois epyois shows it to have been a church, and in some Roman communities, κυριακα, included Ecclesiastic goods.-We cannot but regret the present currency of this indefinite term.—Any one can understand "congregation" a "meeting of the people," "an assembly;" but how few know much, or anything, of "a church," as indicative of that in Greece, Rome, England, America, or that in ancient Jerusalem?

- i Απωσαντο (3 pers. plur. aor. 1 mid. from απωθεομαι), they thrust him from them; so rendered, Acts 7: 27, 39, twice rendered cast away, Rom. 11:1, 2; put away, 1 Tim. 1:19.
- 9 Θεους οί προπορευσονται, a literal translation of Exodus 32:8, pluralis excellentiæ. Aaron made but one calf, but they asked for gods, Θεοι, in the Hebrew אַלהִרם Ούτος, this Moses, like iste, in Latin, is contemptuous—that Moses! W. § 28.—Hackett.
- k Εμοσχοποιησαν. The science and art of calfmaking are not found in any Greek extant. It was an Egyptian art. "The calf," like the ox at Memphis, called Apis, and that at Heliopolis, called Mnevis. Win., Realw. I. p. 644.—Hackett.

conjoint operation of the people.

- m 'Ο Θεος-εστρεψε-παρεδοκεν αυτους λατρευειν τη στοατια, God turned away from them-abandoned them to serve, or worship, the hosts-the stars of heaven.
- ⁿ Στρατια, not στρατεια. The latter is used only by Paul, and the former only by Luke, and is by him indicative of a host, and so found, Luke 2:13; Acts 7:42, the host of heaven. Τη στρατια του ουρανου, the army of heaven: sun, moon, and stars. "From the Hebrew this star-worship is called Sabaism, from ".vex."—Hackett. Educated in Egypt the hot-bed of polytheism, the Jews were for ages the victims of creature-worship. It was the capital sin against the theology of the Jews, as saint-worship and angel-worship is the capital and soul-ruining sin of the Roman apostasy.
- o "No, you apostatized and took up the tabernacle of your god Moloch," i. e. to carry it with them in their marches or in religious processions. The Tabernacle was, no doubt, intended to resemble the one consecrated to Jehovah. Stephen follows 1 Ευφραινοντο εν τοις εργοις. This festive celebration is the Septuagint.—Hackett. The Seventy supply the name of

of your God Remphan, figures which we made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.

44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the wilderness, as he had appointed, speaking unto Moses, that he should make it according to the fashion that he had seen.

45 Which also our fathers, that came after, brought in with Jesus into the possession of the Gentiles, whom God drave out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David;

46 Who found favour before God, and desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob.

47 But Solomon built him an house.

48 Howbeit, the Most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands; as saith the prophet,

49 Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool: what house will ye build me? saith the Lord: or what is the place of my rest?

50 Hath not my hand made

all these things?

51 Ye stiff-necked, and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye.

52 Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecutGREEK TEXT.

άστρον τοῦ θεοῦ ὑμῶν Ῥεμφὰν, τους τύπους ους έποιήσατε προσκυνείν αὐτοίς καὶ μετοικιῶ ὑμᾶς έπέκεινα Βαβυλώνος. σκηνή τοῦ μαρτυρίου ἦν ἐν τοῖς πατράσιν ήμων έν τη έρημω, καθώς διετάξατο ὁ λαλών τῷ Μωση, ποιησαι αύτην κατά τον τύπον ὃν έωράκει· ⁴⁵ ἢν καὶ εισήγαγον διαδεξάμενοι οι πατέρες ἡμῶν μετὰ Ἰησοῦ ἐν τῆ κατασχέσει τῶν ἐθνῶν, ὧν ἔξωσεν δ Θεὸς ἀπὸ προσώπου τῶν πατέρων ήμῶν, ἔως τῶν ήμερῶν Δαβίδ· 46 δς ευρε χάριν ένώπιον τοῦ Θεού, καὶ ήτήσατο εύρεῖν σκήνωμα τῶ Θεῶ Ἰακώβ. ⁴⁷ Σολομῶν δὲ ἀκοδόμησεν αὐτῷ οἶκον. 48 'Αλλ' ούχ ὁ ΰψιστος ἐν χειροποιήτοις ναοίς κατοικεί, καθώς ό προφήτης λέγει, 49 Ο ουρανός μοι θρόνος, ή δὲ γη ὑποπόδιον των ποδων μου ποίον οίκον οίκοδομήσετέ μοι; λέγει κύριος ή τίς τόπος της καταπαύσεώς μου; ⁵⁰ οὐχὶ ἡ χείρ μου ἐποίησε ταῦτα παντα;

51 Σκληροτράχηλοι, καὶ ἀπερίτμητοι τη καρδία καὶ τοῖς ώσὶν, ύμεις ἀεὶ τῷ Πνεύματι τῷ Αγίω άντιπίπτετε, ώς οἱ πατέρες ὑμῶν καὶ ύμεῖς. τίνα τῶν προφητών οὐκ ἐδίωξαν οἱ πατέρες REVISED VERSION.

your god Remphan, images which you made to worship; therefore, I will carry you away beyond Babylon. Our fathers 44 had the ptabernacle of testimony in the wilderness, as he had appointed, speaking to Moses, that he should make it according to the pattern that he had seen: which tabernacle also our 45 fathers having received, they brought in with Joshua, into the possession of the heathen, whom God drove out before the face of our fathers, until the days of David; who found 46 favor before God, and desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob. But Solomon 47 built him a house. Neverthe- 48 less, the Most High does not dwell in temples made with hands; as the prophet says: The heaven is my throne, and 49 the earth is my footstool. What house will you build for me? says the Lord: or, what is the place of my rest? Did not 50 my hand make all these?

Stiffnecked and uncircum- 51 cised in heart and ears, you are always resisting the Holy Spirit: as your fathers did, so you are doing. Which of 52 the prophets did not your fathers persecute? They reven ed? and they have slain them υμών; καὶ ἀπέκτειναν τους προ- slew those who had pre-

the idol from tradition, but there is almost equal authority, says Baur, for reading mide, Milkom, a proper name. The contained the two tables of the constitution, or supreme law, variation would bring the Greek into greater conformity to given to the twelve Tribes. the Hebrew.—Το αστρον του Θεου, i. e. an image resembling, or representing a star worshiped by them as a god. Pεμφαν the Seventy express which, like most of the ancient translators, they took to be a proper name, some of the ablest modern scholars defend the correctness of that translation. In this case the Greek name must have sprung from a corrupt pronunciation of the Hebrew name. See Gesenius, Lex. p. 463.—Hackett.

p "Tabernacle of the Testimony"-so called because it

^q Εποιησε, is aor. 1, and should not be rendered by our perf. as in the Com. Vers. The supply of the word "things" is unnecessary, and is, therefore, omitted here.

" Even they slew those" is the exact order of the original text. Still, as in our usage, They slew even those, is quite acceptable.

Who had previously announced, who showed before, who

ing of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers:

- 53 Who have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not kept it.
- 54 When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth.
- 55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,
- heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand 57 of God.
- a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one
- 58 And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the name was Saul.
- 59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

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which showed before of the com- $\kappa \alpha \tau \alpha \gamma \gamma \epsilon i \lambda \alpha \nu \tau \alpha s \pi \epsilon \rho i \tau \eta s \epsilon \lambda \epsilon \nu$ σεως του δικαίου, οδ νυν ύμεις προδόται καὶ φονεῖς γεγένησθε. ⁵³οίτινες έλάβετε τον νόμον είς διαταγάς άγγέλων, καὶ οὐκ έφυλάξατε. 54 'Ακούοντες δὲ ταῦτα, διεπρίοντο ταις καρδίαις αύτων, καὶ έβρυχον τους όδόντας έπ 55 Υπάρχων δὲ πλήρης αὐτόν. Πνεύματος 'Αγίου, ἀτενίσας είς τον ούρανον, είδε δόξαν Θεού, καὶ Ἰησοῦν ἐστῶτα ἐκ δεξιῶν $\tau \circ \hat{v} \theta \epsilon \circ \hat{v}$, $56 \kappa \alpha \hat{i} \epsilon \hat{i} \pi \epsilon \nu$, $1 \delta \circ \hat{v}$, θεωρώ τους ούρανους άνεωγμέ-56 And said, Behold, I see the νους, καὶ τον υίον τοῦ ἀνθρώπου έκ δεξιών έστώτα του Θεού. Κράξαντες δε φωνή μεγάλη, 57 Then they cried out with συνέσχον τὰ ἦτα αὐτῶν, καὶ ωρμησαν δμοθυμαδον έπ' αὐτόν 58 καὶ ἐκβαλόντες ἔξω τῆς πόλεως, έλιθοβόλουν. καί οἱ μάρτυρες ἀπέθεντο τὰ ἱμάτια αὐτῶν witnesses laid down their clothes παρά τους πόδας νεανίου καλουat a young man's feet, whose $\mu \dot{\epsilon} \nu o \nu \Sigma \alpha \dot{\nu} \lambda o \nu$, 59 $\kappa \alpha \dot{\epsilon} \lambda \iota \theta o \beta \dot{o}$ λουν τὸν Στέφανον, ἐπικαλούμενον καὶ λέγοντα, Κύριε Ἰησοῦ, δέξαι τὸ πνεῦμά μου.

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viously announced the coming of the Just One, of whom you have now been the betrayers and murderers-you who have 53 received the law by the 'ministration of angels, and have not kept it. When they heard 54 these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. But 55 he, being full of the Holy Spirit, looked up steadfastly "into the heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said: Behold, I see the heaven 56 opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out 57 with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one consent, and cast him out of the city, and stoned him. And the witnesses laid 58 off wtheir garments at the feet of a young man, named Saul. And they stoned Ste-59 phen, *invoking, and saying, $\theta \theta \in \mathcal{U}$ Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

foretold, are equally intelligible and equally exegetical of the | heaven, because he saw the heavens opened and Jesus standword ποοκαταγγελλω. Ayyelos is transferred into our tongue, literally with us, an angel, a messenger, a nuncio. Nihil est absurdi si statuamus nuncium eo loco angelum dici. Crit. Sac.

Οίτινες-εφυλαξατε-you yourselves have received the Law,

and have not kept it.

ι "Disposition of Angels," com. ver. εις διαταγας αγγελων, ordinance of Angels, Tyndale; ministration of Angels, Rheims; in-dispositione angelorum, Vulgate; par le ministere des anges, French. To me, it would seem, as if the tables were handed down through ranks of angels, as to persons standing on the rounds of a ladder, one below another in a line reaching from the threshold of heaven down to Moses.

This is indicated in the terms selected, in all the ancient and modern versions that we have seen.

" Εις τον ουρανον-towards heaven, Thomp., Doddridge, Murdock, Wakefield; to heaven, Wesley; unto heaven, Rheims; into heaven, com. ver., Boothroyd, Wickliffe, Tyndale, Cranmer, Geneva. It must literally have been into

ing on the right hand of God. This case illustrates the looseness of translators and revisers, and, therefore, we so particularly notice it, and because of its bearings in more important cases.

- v Son is found in the original with a small letter; still, in our style, I do not object to a capital S, provided only it be uniform in all other cases in the whole volume.
 - w Upper garments, Wakefield; "Clothes," Murd.
- * Επικαλουμένον και λεγοντα. Literally invoking and say-"Calling on the Lord." In the Greek, calling on, and saying, Lord Jesus. The English requires the insertion of the object, who was "the Lord Jesus." We are, therefore, not to insert the word God, with our common version, which word it has retained from Wickliffe. "cloped God to help."

The Latin is correct, invocantem et dicentem Domine Jesu, Granville Penn in loco. This is the strongest evidence, in a given case, of the faith of Stephen, in the Divinity of Jesus

60 And he kneeled down and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

CHAP. VIII.

And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.

- 2 And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him.
- 3 As for Saul, he made havoc of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women, committed them to prison.
- 4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.
 - 5 Then Philip went down to

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δέ τὰ γόνατα, ἔκραξε φων $\hat{\eta}$ με- And he kneeled down and 60 γάλη, Κύριε, μη στήσης αὐτοῖς την άμαρτίαν ταύτην. Καὶ τοῦτο είπων έκοιμήθη.

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Σαῦλος δὲ ἦν συνευδοκῶν τῆ αναιρέσει αὐτοῦ. Ἐγένετο δὲ έν ἐκείνη τῆ ἡμέρα διωγμὸς μέγας against the congregation, έπὶ τὴν ἐκκλησίαν τὴν ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις πάντες τε διεσπάρησαν κατὰ τὰς χώρας της 'Ιουδαίας throughout the bdistricts of καὶ Σαμαρείας, πλην τῶν ἀπο- $\sigma \tau \acute{o} \lambda \omega \nu$. ² $\sigma \nu \nu \epsilon \kappa \acute{o} \mu \iota \sigma \alpha \nu$ δ $\acute{e} \tau \acute{o} \nu$ the Apostles. Yet devout men 2 $\Sigma \tau \dot{\epsilon} \phi \alpha \nu \partial \nu \ \dot{\alpha} \nu \delta \rho \epsilon s \ \dot{\epsilon} \dot{\nu} \lambda \alpha \beta \epsilon \hat{\imath} s, \ \kappa \alpha \dot{\imath}$ jointly bore 'away Stephen to ἐποιήσαντο κοπετον μέγαν ἐπ' the grave, and made great laτὴν ἐκκλησίαν, κατὰ τοὺς οἴκους dwasted the congregation, en εἰσπορευόμενος, σύρων τε ἄνδρας tering into the houses, and καὶ γυναῖκας παρεδίδου εἰς φυ- dragging forth menand woλακήν. 4 οἱ μὲν οὖν διασπαρέν- men, he committed them to τες διηλθον, εὐαγγελιζόμενοι τὸν prison. Nevertheless, the 'dis-4 λόγον.

⁵ ΦΙΛΙΠΠΟΣ δὲ κατελθων ing the *word. Philip, indeed, 5

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cried out, with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep. Now Saul was consenting to his death.

CHAP. VIII.

Now on that 'day there 1 zarose a great persecution which *was in Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad Judea and Samaria, except ³ Σαῦλος δὲ ἐλυμαίνετο mentation over him. But Saul 3 persed, passed along preach-

- y Εν εκεινη τη ήμερα. And on that day. In, on, and un | ing choice. With us district is less Roman, and more popular are derived from a Saxon verb signifying-to come to, to meet, to pass. Hence they all denote nearness, closeness, contiguity. Webster. "In that day," with us, frequently indicates a length of time—a period of time, beyond a certain day—or a single day. Reference is here, obviously, to Stephen's Martyrdom, and the consequent dispersion of the Church that was in Jerusalem. This is confirmed by another reference to it, chap. 11: 19; οί μεν ουν διασπαρεντές απο της Ολιψεως της γενομενης επι Στεφανφ, making that very day the epoch of the dispersion of the Church.
- ² Εγενετο. Γινομαι, indicates to come into existence, or to begin to be. As more definite we may prefer began to be-to there was. In our currency they are nearly equal; still historical accuracy is better secured by the former than by the latter.
- * Την after εκκλησιαν is demonstratively expletive—and justifies "that was in Jerusalem."
- b Tas χωρας—χωρα in com. ver. is represented by country, region, land, ground, field, coast, occurring 27 times. Territories is here too large; coasts, too maritime; and lands, inapposite to the territory .- District, or region, is our remain-

than region.

- ^c Συνεκομισαν—bore away together—to the grave, Hackett. Less ambiguous we prefer—jointly bore away Stephen. Εκκομίζω was appropriated to funeral pomp, like offerre with the Romans.
- d Λυμαινομαι, is an άπαξ λεγομενον. Havoc is a Saxon word, and indicates a hawk. He hawked the Church would be hypercritical, and, therefore, inapposite.—"He made havoe" of it is little better. We prefer Milton's use of the term, or rendition of it-he wasted the Church. Being here the imperfect of λυμαινομαι, indicating a continuous devastation we would translate it.—But Saul wasted or was wasting the congregation entering into the houses of the disciples-xara τους οιχους, εισπορευομενος συρων &c., Meyer, Hack.
- ^e Συρων-εσυρον as in com. ver. John 21:8, should here be represented by dragging—as fishes in a net.—So it is found in Acts 14:19, "after stoning Paul, they dragged (εσυρον) him out of the city."
- f Ol Mer our. Nevertheless—" They that were dispersed" usually contracted into "the dispersed;" more sententious and equally grammatical.
 - ^g Ευαγγελιζομενοι τον λογον, literally, evangelizing the word.

the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.

- 6 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.
- 7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palhealed.

8 And there was great joy in that city.

9 But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one:

heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God.

11 And to him they had re-

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είς πόλιν της Σαμαρείας, έκήρυσσεν αὐτοῖς τὸν Χριστόν. 6 προσείχον τε οἱ ὄχλοι τοῖς λεγομένοις ύπο τοῦ Φιλίππου όμοθυμαδον, έν τῷ ἀκούειν αὐτοὺς καὶ βλέπειν τὰ σημεῖα α ἐποίει. 7 πολλών γὰρ τών έχόντων πνεύματα ἀκάθαρτα, βοῶντα μεγάλη sies, and that were lame, were φωνη έξηρχετο· πολλοὶ δὲ παραλελυμένοι καὶ χωλοὶ έθεραπεύθησαν. 8 καὶ έγένετο χαρὰ μεγάλη 9 'Avno $\delta\epsilon$ έν τη πόλει έκείνη. τις ονόματι Σίμων προϋπηρχεν έν τη πόλει μαγεύων καὶ έξιστῶν τὸ ἔθνος τῆς Σαμαρείας, λέγων είναι τινα έαυτον μέγαν 10 To whom they all gave προσείχον πάντες ἀπὸ μικροῦ έως μεγάλου, λέγοντες, Οδτός έστιν ή δύναμις τοῦ Θεοῦ ή με-11 Προσείχον οὲ αὐτῷ, γάλη. gard, because that of long time διὰ τὸ ἰκανῷ χρόνῷ ταῖς μαγείαις cause that for a long time, he

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having gone down to a city of Samaria, hwas announcing the Christ to them: and the multi- 6 tudes were, with one accord, giving heed to the things spoken by Philip, when they 'heard and saw the miracles which he was doing: for, from many 7 who had unclean spirits, they were going out, crying with a loud voice; and many palsied and lame were healed. And 8 there was great joy in that city.

But there was there, before, 9 a certain man, named Simon, who formerly, in the same city, had practiced sorcery, and *astonished the people of Samaria, boasting that he was some great one. To whom 10 they all gave heed, young and old, saying, This man is the great power of God. And to 11 him indeed they gave heed, be-

It first appears in the Christian oracles, Matthew 11:5.—In | preacher.—The δίδασω family, of six members, διδακτωσο. the passive sense "the poor are evangelized;" or it may be διδακτος, διδασκαλια, διδασκαλος, διδαχη, occurs in the above rendered "the poor have the gospel preached to them." But members of it, in all 114 times; represented in our language we have another Evangelical formula tantamount, in many instances, to this. It is first found Matt. 4:23, Jesus-taught (διδασκων) in the Synagogues of Galilee and was preaching (κηρυσσων) the gospel of the kingdom, το ευαγγελιον της Buoiheias. This subject merits a treatise rather than a note. We can only note the following facts.—1. Κηρυξ—a public herald-occurs but thrice in the Christian Scriptures, and is always rendered preacher com. ver.; literally, in Greek currency, it indicates a public crier and a herald, Critica Sacra.-The Septuagint use it for a word which signifies clamare, to cry aloud, Jonah 3:7; also for a word signifying vocare, to call; and publice profiteri, Gen. 4:43; also for a word signifying voce lata ac plena personare, Hosea 5: 8. "Blow the cornet in Gibeah, the trumpet in Ramah, cry aloud at Bethaven, after thee O Benjamin!" When used to denote preaching it is always used metaphorically, Critica Sacra. We preach, το ευαγελλίου, the gospel, we teach, η διδαχη, the doctrine of Christ. See note on v. 25.

h Κηρυσσω occurs 61 times; 5 times publish, teach, proclaim, and 54 times preach. We have of the same family xnov\$, and κηρυγμα, the latter 8 times always rendered preaching, and unevi, 3 times preacher. The whole family, then, appear in Holy Writ 72 times. Of these, 65 are preach and preaching and out of use amongst our best writers.

by teach, teaching, teacher, or Doctor, Doctrine, didactic, or apt to teach. Preach and teach are therefore two distinct employments, never once confounded, or substituted, the one for the other, in all the oracles of God.

i Εν τω ακουείν—εν, with the infinitive, denotes, not the cause, but the occasion. Kühner's Greek Grammar, Hackett.

Instead of "from many" we may read "out of many" without violating any law or reason; and also without any more precision of sense.

k Εξιστων. Imperfect active of εξιστημι and εξισταω, obstupefacio-to astonish, to amaze, to confound, to astound, to have no sense left-obstupuere animi, Virgil; extra se esse, to be out of one's self, Beza. Hence the word ecstasy. There is no one Latin word which doth sufficiently express that Greek word; for it signifieth-præ admiratione apud se non esse, et de statu mentis dejici, Mark 2:12, Vulgate. Miron, Beza; obstupesco, vel percellor: for the Greek word signifieth mentem alicujus veluti amovere, which the Latin percellor also doth, Beza, Critica Sacra. Astounded, that is-astonished to dumbness, Webster.

1 "From young to old," is the exact rendering, if we change "from small to great." We repudiate unto as antiquated and

he had bewitched them with sorceries.

12 But when they believed Philip, preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized both men and women.

13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.

14 Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John:

15 Who, when they were come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Ghost:

16 (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)

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12 $O\tau\epsilon$ $\delta\epsilon$ έξεστακέναι αὐτούς. έπίστευσαν τῷ Φιλίππφ εὐαγγελιζομένω τὰ περὶ της βασιλείας τοῦ Θεοῦ καὶ τοῦ ὀνόματος τοῦ 'Ιησοῦ Χριστοῦ, ἐβαπτίζοντο άνδρες τε καὶ γυναῖκες. 13 ὁ δὲ Σίμων καὶ αὐτὸς ἐπίστευσε, καὶ βαπτισθείς ήν προσκαρτερών τώ Φιλίππω· θεωρών τε σημεία καὶ δυνάμεις μεγάλας γινομένας, έξί-14 'Ακούσαντες δε οί έν στατο. 'Ιεροσολύμοις ἀπόστολοι, δέδεκται ή Σαμάρεια τον λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἀπέστειλαν πρὸς αὐτους τον Πέτρον καὶ Ἰωάννην 15 οΐτινες καταβάντες προσηύξαντο περί αὐτῶν, ὅπως λάβωσι Πνεθμα "Αγιον. 16 οὔπω γὰρ ην έπ' ούδενὶ αύτῶν έπιπεπτωκὸς, μόνον δε βεβαπτισμένοι ύπηρχον είς τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ. the name of the Lord Jesus.

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had astonished them with his msorceries. But when they 12 believed Philip, preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were immersed, both men and women. Also Simon himself believed; 13 and when he was immersed, he constantly adhered to Philip, and, beholding the miracles and signs which were done, he was astonished.

Now when the Apostles 14 who were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who, when they had come 15 down, prayed for them, that they might receive the PHoly Spirit. For as yet, the had 16 fallen upon none of them: only they had been immersed into

Tais μανειαις, with his sorceries. He is, therefore, pro- | language and style most precise, definite, and unmistakable under the commission of his personal ambassador or advocate, John 16. The mere Etymologist would translate the 16th verse as follows:-" because at that time it had fallen on not one of them." This would be apposite to a gust of wind, a shower of rain, or a flash of lightning. The ambiguity in some minds on this subject arises wholly, as we conceive, from the fact that there are no genders in heaven, nor amongst spirits, nor in the Θειστης (an άπαξ λεγομενον), the Godhead. Again the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are a special manifestation or revelation of Osioths, or Jehovah, in adaptation to a special emergency in the universe. Eternally it was Jehovah. In creation it was God, the Word, the Spirit. But the WORD that was in the beginning in or with God, and that was God, became a man, and therefore masculine, though embracing all humanity, no one personality; irrespective of sex or gender. Woman-or wombman, being created out of one person, became a second person in humanity, as the word was in Divinity .--Hence the Holy Spirit equally personal, proceeding from both, became a third person and though equally Divine was neither first nor second but third-hence neither and neuter are one in essence and constitute a third manifestation or personality of the absolute Jehovah. The pronominal neuter is a mere grammatical contingency growing out of the clumsiness and awkwardness of our composite language, an imperfect vehicle the Lord himself, and commissioned as his agent or mis- to introduce Jehovah Elohim into human head, human heart,

perly called Simon the sorcerer.—One of the tribe that contended with Moses.

ⁿ Επιστευσαν τω Φιλιππω, literally, they believed in Philip preaching-in what he preached.

[•] Προσκαστερων, semper adsum. He constantly adhered.

P Δαβωσι πνευμα Άγιον. That they might receive the Holy Spirit. This is literally a holy spirit or, as printed in our standard text, Holy Spirit. There are not wanting some who now, as formerly, have imagined that without the article, and without capital initials a holy spirit, or a holy temper is all that can be understood and expected in such cases. Fatal to such hypothesis is the fact, that, in our accredited originals, we have it, in both cases, with, and without the article, and with, and without capital initials. In the very next occurrence in the next verse and in the same Bagster's approved text, it is printed in capital initials. Το πνευμα το Άγιον, with the article, nor is this a solitary case. We have many such. See ch. 1:5, note o, and ch. 10:38, note

⁴ He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been immersed into the name of the Lord Jesus. It may, indeed, be appropriately rendered, It had fallen upon none of them, but while gender is regarded, it must also be regarded and remembered, that the Spirit is appropriately personified by sionary.-John reports his personal mission and work in a or human tongue.

17 Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

18 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money.

19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost.

20 But Peter said unto him. Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money.

21 Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God.

22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

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17 τότε ἐπετίθουν τὰς χείρας ἐπ' αύτους, και έλάμβανον Πνεθμα Αγιον. 18 Θεασάμενος δε ό Σίμων, ὅτι διὰ τῆς ἐπιθέσεως τῶν χειρῶν τῶν ἀποστόλων δίδοται τ' Πνεθμα τὸ Αγιον. προσήνεγκεν αὐτοῖς χρήματα, 19 λέγων, Δότε κάμοι την έξουσίαν ταύτην, ίνα ὧ αν ἐπιθῶ τὰς χείρας, λαμβάνη Πνευμα Αγιον. 20 Πέτρος δε είπε προς αυτον, Το ἀργύριον σου σύν σοὶ είη είς άπώλειαν, ὅτι τὴν δωρεὰν τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐνόμισας διὰ χρημάτων 21 οὐκ ἔστι σοι μερὶς κτᾶσθαι. ούδε κλήρος έν τῷ λόγῳ τούτῶ. ή γαρ καρδία σου ούκ έστιν εύθεῖα ἐνώπιον τοῦ Θεοῦ. 22 μετανόησον οὖν ἀπὸ τῆς κακίας σου ταύτης, καὶ δεήθητι τοῦ Θεοῦ, εἰ αρα αφεθήσεταί σοι <math>
γ επίνοια Lord, if, perhaps, the wdevice της καρδίας σου.

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Then they laid hands on them, 17 and they received the 'Holy Spirit. And when Simon saw 18 that, through laying on of the Apostles' hands, the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money, saying, Give to 19 me also this power, that on whomever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Spirit. But Peter said to him, may your 20 silver go to destruction with you, because you have presumed to procure the gift of God through money. To "you 21 there is no part nor portion in this thing, for your heart is not right in the sight of God. Reform, therefore, from this your 22 wickedness, and pray 'the 23 είς γαρ of your heart shall be forgiven

The great Teacher himself changed the gender of the Holy Spirit in his valedictory promise reported by the beloved disciple, who slept in his bosom; he christed, or christened him, δ παρακλητος.—Hence the new style πεμψω αυτον εκεινος ελθων-εκεινος εμε δοξασει-του εμου ληψεται-εκ του εμου ληψεται, και αναγγελαι ύμιν, John 16: 12-15. I more than question the propriety of sacrificing a Divine impersonation, or a Divine personality, to the capricious etiquette of our he, she, it. He is our most worthy pronoun, and why fastidiously sacrifice the Hagazhntos, to our least worthy!!

- r Ελαμβανον πνευμα Άγιον. They received the Holy Spirit, or they received Holy Spirit-is equally grammatical-why not the latter rather than the former! Especially since in the next verse we find το πνευμα το Άγιον. But we shall be told in the latter case it is the subject of the proposition. It is, however, the same Holy Spirit whether the subject or the predicate of the proposition. But Simon when stipulating for this power, or authority of imparting the gift, uses the anarthrous form,-so we find it in John 20: 22, after the same verb; but in Acts 10: 47, in a similar attitude, we find the το πνευμα το Άγιον vouchsafed to the believing gentiles on the imposition of Paul's hands.
- For θεασαμενος, read ιδων, Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.: and Tf.'s Stereotype Ed., for το πνευμα το άγιον, simply το πνευμα.

² We have here χοηματα—riches—and in v. 20, το αργυριον -money or silver.

Apyvoiov-properly indicates silver, and nine times in twenty occurrences is so rendered in the com. ver.; while χοημα in the plural number is always represented by riches or money, com. ver.

" "To you there is no part nor portion in this speech" is more literal—or grammatical—as loyos is sometimes so rendered in the com. ver. -Εν λογφ τοντφ, in this word, doctrine, or gospel, Ols., Neand.; in this thing, viz., the gift of the Spirit, Ben., Mey., De Wette, as quoted by Hackett.

* Δεηθητι του θεου, com. text. Δεηθητι του ευριου, Ln., Tf.—Griesbach marks it as supported by great authorities. It is also more in harmony with the genius and spirit of that epoch-The Lord Jesus being then recognized as recently constituted the reigning sovereign—the head of the church is in this case declared to be the immediate source of this special mission of the Spirit. "He has shed forth that which you now see and hear."

w Ει αρα επινοια. This word is only used once in N. T., and is not represented by the word thought .- Device or machination is its proper representative. The Vulgate and Erasmus give cogitatio. Nimium dilute, says Critica Sacra.—Επινοια, pronsus hic respondet Hebrææ voci Zamam. Beza in loc. Vide Drusium in loco, Crit. Sacra.

23 For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity.

24 Then answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me.

25 And they, when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, returned to Jerusalem, and preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.

26 And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south, unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

27 And he arose, and went: and behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,

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γολην πικρίας καὶ σύνδεσμον άδικίας όρω σε όντα. 24 'Αποκριθεὶς δὲ ὁ Σίμων εἶπε, Δεήθητε ύμεις ύπερ έμου προς τον κύριον, οπως μηδεν έπελθη επ' εμε ών ειρήκατε.

²⁵ Οἱ μὲν οὖν διαμαρτυράμενοι καὶ λαλήσαντες τον λόγον τοῦ κυρίου, ὑπέστρεψαν εἰς Ἱερουσαλημ, πολλάς τε κώμας τῶν Σαμαρειτών εύηγγελίσαντο.

26 'Αγγελος δὲ κυρίου ἐλάλησε προς Φίλιππον, λέγων, Ανάστηθι καὶ πορεύου κατὰ μεσημβρίαν, έπὶ τὴν ὁδὸν τὴν καταβαίνουσαν ἀπὸ Ἱερουσαλημ ϵ is Γ á($\alpha \nu$ $\alpha \tilde{\nu} \tau \eta$ $\epsilon \sigma \tau \tilde{\nu} \nu$ $\epsilon \rho \eta \mu \rho s$. 27 καὶ ἀναστὰς ἐπορεύθη· καὶ ίδου, άνηρ Αιθίοψ εύνουχος δυνάστης Κανδάκης της βασιλίσσης Αἰθιόπων, δς ἦν ἐπὶ πάσης της γάζης αὐτης, δε έληλύθει προσκυνήσων είς Ίερουσαλημ, come into Jerusalem to wor-

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you; for I perceive that you 23 are in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity. Then 24 Simon, answering, said, Pray to the Lord for me that none of these things, which you have spoken, may come upon me. They therefore, when they had 25 testified and preached the word of the Lord, set out on their return to Jerusalem, and they preached the gospel in many *villages of the Samaritans.

But an Angel of the Lord 26 spoke to Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south, to the way that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza (which is the way through the desert,). And he arose and went; and 27 behold a man of Ethiopia, an *officer of great authority, under Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had

evangelized many villages of the Samaritans.

they had been absent, or what took place on their return to Jerusalem, Kuin., De Wette. Mey. This latter view agrees best with the order of the narrative.

This verb, according to a later Grecism (Lob. ad Phryn. page Dative, Com. V. 40; 14:15, 21; 16:10; Luke 3:18; Gal. 1:9; W. § 32:1; Hackett, p. 125.

Dismissing the labors of Peter and John, he continues the narrative of Philip. They went to Jerusalem-and Philip towards Gaza.

"They went back to Jerusalem," or "returned to Jerusalem," is more in our modern style, if we do not regard the fact, that they did not immediately and straightforward prosecute their journey to Jerusalem-but we are informed, that on their return they communicated the glad tidings to many villages of the Samaritans.

y Eoημos, being an adjective, is found as such fifteen times

* Πολλας τε κωμας των Σαμαφειτων ευηγγελισαντο, Aor. 1, | ception—but it is the only one that is not obviously associated mid. Villages being here the object of this verb, we must with a noun in concord, and here it may through αύτη qualify render it in grammatical harmony with this fact; and they $\delta\delta\sigma$ s. Some refer it to Gaza, sixty miles southwest of Jerusalem. Hence Hug, Scholtz, Meyer, and others suppose that Ευηγγελισαντο may state the result of their labors while this is the place here described by ερημος, desert. But Gaza was not destroyed A.D. 64 or 66, when this book was completed, and if even later it could not have received this name. There having been several ways, at least two, well known to history, we presume that the angel directed Philip to the 267) may take its object in the Accusative as well as in the course which he took in order to meet the officer of Queen Candace. Two roads actually exist to this day, one of which passes through the desert inhabited by nomadic Arabs. There was a plurality of queens of this name.

- This Eunuch is distinguished by the title—δυναστης κανδακης της βασιλισσης Αιθιοπων—Candace the queen of Ethiopians. Strabo and Dio name this queen as warring against the Romans in the 23d year of Augustus Cæsar.-Ethiopia was that portion of Africa south of Egypt. Pliny also names Candace a queen of the Ethiopians.
- a Ποοσκυνησων εις Ίερουσαλημ. He not only came to Jerusalem to worship, but he came to worship, els Iegovσαλημ, into or within Jerusalem.—We find a different formula in the N. Test. This occurrence may, or may not be an ex- of worshiping at this centre. Paul in the textus receptus

28 Was returning; and sitting in his chariot, read Esaias the prophet.

29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near and join thyself to this chariot.

30 And Philip ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou read-

31 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up, and sit with

32 The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was $\phi \hat{\eta} \hat{s} \hat{\eta} \nu \hat{a} \nu \epsilon \gamma i \nu \omega \sigma \kappa \epsilon \nu$, $\hat{\eta} \nu \hat{a} \nu \epsilon \gamma i \nu \eta$, ture, which he was reading,

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 28 $\mathring{\eta}\nu$ $\tau\epsilon$ $\mathring{\nu}\pi o\sigma\tau\rho\dot{\epsilon}\phi\omega\nu$ $\kappa\alpha\dot{\nu}$ $\kappa\alpha\theta\dot{\eta}$ -ship; and he was returning, 28 $\mu \epsilon \nu o s \epsilon \pi i \tau o \hat{v} \alpha \rho \mu \alpha \tau o s \alpha \hat{v} \tau o \hat{v}$, and, sitting upon his chariot, καὶ ἀνεγίνωσκε τὸν προφήτην he was reading Isaiah, the $H\sigma a \hat{a}$ αν. 29 $\epsilon \hat{l} \pi \epsilon$ $\delta \hat{\epsilon}$ $\tau \hat{o}$ $\pi \nu \epsilon \hat{v}$ - prophet. Moreover the Spirit 29 μα τῷ Φιλίππω, Πρόσελθε καὶ said to Philip, Go near and κολλήθητι τῷ ἄρματι τούτῳ. I join yourself to this chariot. 30 Προσδραμών δε ο Φίλιππος And Philip having run up to 30 ήκουσεν αυτου άναγινώσκοντος him, and heard him reading Isaτον προφήτην 'Ησαΐαν, καὶ iah, the prophet, said, Do you $\epsilon i \pi \epsilon \nu$, $A \rho \alpha \gamma \epsilon \gamma \iota \nu \omega \sigma \kappa \epsilon \iota s \hat{\alpha} \dot{\alpha} \nu \alpha$ understand what you are readγινώσκεις; 31 $^{\circ}O$ δε εἶπε, $H\hat{\omega}s$ ing? He replied, How can I, 31 γὰρ ἂν δυναίμην, ἐὰν μή τις ὁδη- except some one should guide γήση με; Παρεκάλεσέ τε τον me? And he sinvited Philip Φίλιππον ἀναβάντα καθίσαι σὺν to come up and sit with him. αὐτ $\hat{\varphi}$. $\stackrel{32}{\sim}$ $\mathring{\eta}$ δè $\pi\epsilon\rho\iotaοχ\mathring{\eta}$ τ $\mathring{\eta}$ s $\gamma\rho\alpha$ - Now the "passage of the Scrip- 32

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says: ανεβην προσχυνησων εν Ίερουσαλημ, Acts 24:11 The | in the songs of degrees, Ps. 122:3. Το Jerusalem-"the Eunuch went worshiping into Jerusalem; while Paul says, I went up worshiping in Jerusalem. We adjust this difference by repudiating the reading in the Textus Receptus in Acts 24:11, and by substituting $\varepsilon\iota s$ for $\varepsilon\nu$ on the authority of Lachmann and Tischendorf in Bagsters' Improved Greek text. Eis, indeed, is grammatically and naturally associated with attractive centre of all who recognized the God of the Jews, verbs indicative of motion or progress; while εν is appropriately connected with verbs intimating rest, repose, or cessation from action. It is a beautiful fact that προσχυνεω, occurring sixty times in the Christian Scriptures, is uniformly, in every case, represented by the word worship.

It is also another remarkable fact, and worthy of all commendation, that προσευχη, prayer, and προσευχομαι, I pray, occurring in the Christian Greek Scriptures one hundred and twenty-three times, are invariably represented by pray and prayer. What an unspeakable blessing to the world-to Christendom especially, had the same law been observed in reference to Baptize, Baptism, bishop, presbyter, deacon, &c., &c.! There lives not the man who could compute the gain to the Church and to the world from such a fact.

A question on εις Ίερουσαλημ.—Did the Eunuch go to worship within Jerusalem, or go into Jerusalem to worship?-These are very different ideas or objects. If a Jewish proselyte he went to, or into Jerusalem to worship the God of the Jews as the God of the whole earth—the One only living and true God. But if he went merely to worship to, into, or unto, Jerusalem, or to do homage to the localities there, he had need to have propounded other and different questions than those he submitted to Philip.

But may not the idea embraced in the original be more appositely couched in the formula he had come to worship within Jerusalem-in the spirit of a pious Jew, as represented Thuc. 25. Cic. ad Attic. 13:25.

Tribes go up, the Tribes of the Lord-to the testimony of Israel to give thanks to the name of the Lord. For there are placed the Thrones of Judgment-the thrones of the house of David .- Peace be within thee! Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good." This was the great as the One only living and true God.

- b Ην τε υποστρεφων και καθημένος επι.—And he was returning, &c., επι, upon his chariot—and he was reading—a happy indication of the appositeness of the imperfect to express continuity of action.
- ^c Δε, moreover, 1 Cor. 15:1. The Spirit said: approach, προσελθε και κολληθητι, and join yourself to that chariot.— "And do you understand what you do read?" said he; rather are you understanding what you are reading? A happy illustration of the continuative force of the present tense.
- d Κολληθητι-κολλαω—to cleave to, to keep company, to join. In ten occurrences in Luke's and Paul's use of this word it is six times rendered join, com. ver.
- · Προσδραμων. 2d Aor. part. Active of προστρεχω, curro, ran to him, having run up to him.
- f $E_{\alpha\nu} \mu\eta \delta \delta\eta\gamma\eta\sigma\eta$ —from $\delta\delta\sigma$ s, a way, and $\alpha\gamma\omega$, I lead. Go before me, lead me.—So Homer, Od. 10: 263; Xeno. Cyro. 4:5.13; Mem. 3:2 4. A leader in war, to guide by leading the way.
 - ⁵ Παρεκαλεσε—invited him—καθισαι συν αυτφ.
- h Π_{EQIOXI} the passage of Scripture, not the place. See Stobaus in Ecc. Phys. p. 164, a Dion. Hal. de

led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:

3 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth.

34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man?

35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?

37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

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'Ως πρόβατον έπὶ σφαγήν ήχθη, καὶ ώς άμνος έναντίον τοῦ κείροντος αὐτὸν ἄφωνος, οὕτως οὐκ άνοίγει το στόμα αύτοῦ. τῆ ταπεινώσει αὐτοῦ ἡ κρίσις αύτοῦ ἤρθη, τὴν δὲ γενεὰν αὐτοῦ τίς διηγήσεται; ὅτι αἴρεται άπὸ της γης ή ζωη αὐτοῦ 34 Αποκριθείς δε ό εύνοῦχος τῷ Φιλίππω εἶπε, Δέομαί σου, περὶ τίνος ό προφήτης λέγει τοῦτο; περὶ έαυτοῦ, ἢ περὶ έτέρου τινός; 35 'Aνοί \mathcal{E} ας δ $\grave{\epsilon}$ \acute{o} Φ ίλι $\pi\pi$ ος τ \grave{o} στόμα αύτοῦ, καὶ ἀρξάμενος ἀπὸ της γραφης ταύτης, εὐηγγελίσατο αὐτῷ τὸν Ἰησοῦν. δε έπορεύοντο κατά την όδον, ηλθον έπί τι ὕδωρ καί φησιν ό εύνοῦχος, Ίδου ὕδωρ· τί κωλύει με βαπτισθηναι; 37 Είπε δε δ Φίλιππος, Εἰ πιστεύεις έξ όλης της καρδίας, έξεστιν. 'Αποκριθείς δε είπε, Πιστεύω τον υίον $\tau \circ \hat{v} \theta \epsilon \circ \hat{v} \epsilon \hat{v} \alpha \iota \tau \circ \nu$ 'In $\sigma \circ \hat{v} \nu X \rho \iota$ is the son of God. And he 38

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was this, "He was iled away as a sheep to slaughter: and as a lamb is silent before the shearer, so the opens not his mouth. In his humiliation, his 33 ¹condemnation was extorted; and who shall declare his generation? for his life is "violently taken from the earth." And 34 the officer, replying to Philip, said, I beg of you, of whom does the prophet speak this? of himself, or of some other person? And Philip opened 35 his mouth, and began at the same Scripture, and announced to him Jesus.

And as they were going 36 along the "road, they came oupon a certain water: and the officer said,—Behold water! What hinders my being immersed? And Philip said, If you 37 believe with all your heart, you may. And he answered, and said, I believe that Jesus Christ

Keioarros, specially claims attention. While tondeo in its mildest construction indicates simply to shear, it more literally and generally means to destroy, consume, devour. Represented in Latin by depasci, and in Homeric currency—to consume, to devour. Il. 11:560; Od. 11:578.

Επειοε πολυμεριον φονον. He slaughtered many a horned beast, Sophocles, Az. 55.

Shorn, or shearing, is not apposite to this case—too tame for the occasion. The idea here is slaughter, not lamb shear-

- k Our avoiyei. 3d per. sing. pres. Ind., he is not opening his mouth.
- "His legal trial is taken away," Thompson. Through violence and punishment he was taken away, i. e. from life, De Wette. The Hebrew sustains this view. "The generation amongst whom he suffered who shall fully declare," Hackett. His judgment was taken away, might indicate in our style, that he was bereft of his reason.

- 1 Ή κρισις αυτου ηρθη. In com. ver. κρισις is represented by judgment, damnation, condemnation, accusation. His condemnation was extorted—They constrained him to witness against himself-and then exclaimed "away with him," "crucify him." So arow is occasionally understood; and in this case, it is more apposite than in any other known to us in Holy Scripture.
- m Taken from the earth is too tame for this case. The Hebrew is מיצר וממשפט לפח tantamount to: Through violence and punishment he was taken away, from earth or from life. And his cotemporaries, or generation, who shall fully declare? or exhibit, Meyer, Robinson, De Wette. Their wickedness was unparalleled.
- "Taken from the earth" is, we repeat, too tame. It has in its concomitants the idea of violence—hence we prefer violently taken from the earth.
- ⁿ Κατα την όδον—And as they were going along the road. Behold water, ιδον ύδως. There is here no supplement necessary. The exact Greek requires no supplement in this case; more especially because τι ύδωρ-a certain water, or a water-immediately precedes.
- o. The phrase here is επι τι ύδωρ—literally, they came upon a certain water, not εις, to, but επι, upon a certain water.

i $H\chi \partial \eta$, he was led away. And, as a silent lamb— $\alpha \varphi \omega \nu \sigma s$, all lambs are dumb, but not silent. This Lamb of God was

¹ Εναντίον του κειραντος αυτον, in sight of, before, in presence of the shearer—or devourer.

38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

40 But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through; he preached in all the cities, till he came to Cesarea.

CHAP. IX.

And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

2 And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, τας συναγωγάς, ὅπως ἐάν τινας that if he found any of "that

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38 Καὶ ἐκέλευσε στῆναι στόν. τὸ ἄρμα· καὶ κατέβησαν άμφότεροι είς τὸ ὕδωρ, ὅ τε Φίλιππος καὶ ὁ εὐνοῦχος καὶ ἐβάπτισεν αὐτόν. 39 ὅτε δὲ ἀνέβησαν ἐκ τοῦ ὕδατος, Πνεθμα Κυρίου ήρπασε τον Φίλιππον καὶ οὐκ είδεν αύτον ούκετι ο εύνουγος. έπορεύετο γὰρ τὴν ὁδὸν αὐτοῦ γαίρων. 40 Φίλιππος δὲ ευρέθη είς 'Αζωτον' καὶ διερχόμενος εὐηγγελίζετο τὰς πόλεις πάσας, έως του έλθειν αὐτὸν εἰς Καισάρειαν.

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O ΔE Σαῦλος ἔτι ἐμπνέων άπειλης καὶ φόνου είς τους μαθητὰς τοῦ κυρίου, προσελθών τῷ άρχιερεί, 2 ήτήσατο παρ' αὐτοῦ έπιστολάς είς Δαμασκον προς

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commanded the chariot to standstill; and they both went down pinto the water, Philip and the officer, and he immersed him. And when they 39 were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, that the officer saw him no more; for he went on his journey rejoicing. But 40 Philip was found in Azotus: and, passing along, he announced the tidings in all the cities till his entrance into Cæsarea.

CHAP. IX.

Bur Saul yet breathing 1 out threatening and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went to the High Priest, and desired from him letters to 2 Damascus, to the Synagogues,

- κατεβησαν εις, they went down into, and again ανεβησαν εκ, they came up out of-the water.
- q $\Delta \varepsilon$ and $\varepsilon \tau \iota$, throw the reader back to ch. 8:3, and resume the history of Saul of Tarsus, who was merely introduced to us as a violent persecutor, and now further evidence of the fact is adduced. Therefore we prefer but to and, as the proper connective in this case.
- * Εμπνων-εν and πνεω, flo, spiro. The etymology of words, though not always an infallible index of their current value, or of their special import, in a given case, is, nevertheless, frequently of indispensable importance to a full appreciation of their proper significance.-To illustrate this fact and the case before us, we remark, that avevua, spirit, comes from πνεω, spiro, whose perfect passive is πεπνευμαι—whence πνευμα-a breath, a spirit. It is, therefore, an immediate product or effect of an oracle of God-of the breath or inspiration of God. So we read that God "breathed into his nostrils the breath of life," ורות חיום __ruach, chaiyim—breath of lives, animal and spiritual. This was literal inspiration.

In the case before us Saul was breathing of threatenings and slaughter.—Breathing of threatenings, and breaking of bread are the same form, or formula of words.

- Απειλης και φονου, governed by εμπνεω, spiro.
- ε Εις τους μαθητας, against the disciples. Εις is gram- See Acts 24: 22.

P And they both went down into, εις—not επι. It is here matically represented by inter, apud, pro, per, ad, usque ad, de, udversus, and by a Hebraism indicates the Dative. Piscator's Index of words. Critica Sacra. Between, among, with, for, through, for to, even to, into, unto, concerning, against, and towards. Such is its well-established currency. Of these, which is to be preferred, in any given case, must be decided by the subject and the context. It is essentially a particle of relations, and is associated with the idea of motion, progress, or change of position. While ev denotes both relative and absolute repose, eis represents relative and absolute motion or progress.

- " Παρ' αυτου, from him, or from himself; προς τας συναγωγας, to the synagogues—not for himself, along the way for their destiny is fixed, ELS Damagnov. The local destination of the letters, Hack .- This settles his course and the end or object of it.
- The synagogues had their presbyteries, or presbyters; and these had authority to commission Saul to defend their religion against the attacks of the disciples.
- w Tης όδου, i. e., κατ' εξοχην, of the way, in regard to faith, manner of life, Hack .- The way which they call heresy, xara την όδον, Acts 24:14; ch. 19:23; 22:4. This formula is frequent with Luke. Nusquam, in Novo Test. legem significat nisi quid adjiciatur ex quo, id possit intelligi, Critica Sacra.

men, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

- 3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:
- 4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?
- 5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest. It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

6 And he trembling, and astonished, said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

7 And the men which journeved with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.

8 And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus.

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whether they were men or wo- $\epsilon \tilde{v} \rho \eta + \tau \tilde{\eta} s$ odo $\tilde{v} \tilde{v} \nu \tau \alpha s \tilde{\alpha} \nu \delta \rho \alpha s \tau \epsilon$ καὶ γυναῖκας, δεδεμένους άγάγη είς 'Ιερουσαλήμ. 3 έν δε τω πορεύεσθαι, έγένετο αύτον έγγίζειν τη Δαμαςκώ, καὶ έξαίφνης περιήστραψεν αύτον φως άπο τοῦ οὐρανοῦ· 4 καὶ πεσὼν ἐπὶ την γην, ήκουσε φωνην λέγουσαν αύτῷ, Σαοὺλ, Σαοὺλ, τί με διώκεις; 5 Eίπε δὲ, Tίς εἶ, κύριε; O δε κύριος εἶπεν, Eγώ είμι Ίησους ον συ διώκεις. σκληρόν σοι προς κέντρα λακτίζειν. 6 Τρέμων τε καὶ θαμβών είπε, Κύριε, τί με θέλεις ποιησαι; Καὶ ὁ κύριος πρὸς αὐτὸν, 'Ανάστηθι καὶ εἴσελθε εἰς τὴν πόλιν, καὶ λαληθήσεταί σοι τί σε δεί ποιείν. 7 Οι δε άνδρες οι συνοδεύοντες αὐτῷ εἰστήκεισαν έννεοὶ, ἀκούοντες μὲν τῆς φωνῆς, μηδένα δὲ θεωροῦντες. 8 ἡγέρθη δε ο Σαύλος ἀπο της γης άνεφγμένων δε των όφθαλμων αύτοῦ, οὐδένα ἔβλεπε, χειραγωγοῦντες δε αυτον είσηγαγον είς ΔαREVISED VERSION.

way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now 3 in the journey, he came near Damascus: and, suddenly, there flashed around him, a light from heaven, and having 4 fallen upon the earth, he heard a voice saying to him, Saul, Saul, why do zyou persecute me? And he said, who 5 art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus, whom you persecute; bit is hard for you to kick against the goads. And he, trembling and aston- 6 ished, said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said to him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told you what you must do. And the men who were jour- 7 neying with him, ahad stood speechless, hearing, indeed, the voice, but seeing no person. But Saul ewas raised from the 8 earth; and, though his eyes were opened, he saw no person: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into 9 And he was three days with- μασκόν. 9 καὶ ἦν ἡμέρας τρεῖς Damascus. And he was there 9

element, flashed around him-as lightning.

- y And falling, having fallen, επι, upon the earth. The participial rendering requires not the supplementary and before the Aorist yzovoz.
- only retained in worship and worshipful style. We cannot as yet wholly repudiate this usage; but, with the exception of specific prayer or addresses to God, or in his addresses to any person, we presume to dispense with it as a mere specimen of antiquity, no longer to be indulged.
- a O δε κυριος ειπεν. The clause is omitted by Ln., Tf., and from σεληρον το αυτον is omitted by Gb., Knapp, Sch., Ln. Tf. following Erasmus. There is, indeed, nothing gained or lost | Beza.

* Εν δε τω πορευεσθαι, in the journey, or while he jour- to truth, with or without it.—If retained, we omit the article,

- b From σκληφον, to λακτιζειν, has been transferred to this Περιηστρψεν αυτον φως, light, not as a body, but as an place from ch. 26:14, Hackett, Dodd., &c. Westen has produced instances of this proverb from Greek and Roman authors. Κεντρα, a goad, Wakefield. Thompson, Wesley, Murdock. Griesbach regards this as a spurious reading.
- ^c Αλλα αναστ. But rise up and enter into the city, and * Thou and thee are yet regarded as the sacred style, but that which behooves you to do (to be doing). This verb expresses a continuous acting, not an act completed, Lidd. and Scott. Rob.
 - d And the men-journeying with him, ειστηκεισαν εννεοι-3d per. plural, pluperfect—had stood speechless.
 - ^e Εγερθη, aor. 1. ind. pass., was raised up, ab αγειρω.
- f Anewymenon de two of Jaluwn—perfect part. pass.; though declared doubtful by Gries.—It is not needed. Indeed, all his eyes were opened he saw no person; χειραγωγουντες, Paul; χειραγωγεω, manu duco, part. pres., ducentes manu,

neyed, Hack. Εγενετο αυτον εγγιζειν. This is a case of the and render πεντρα, spurs or sharp points. Infinitive with the accusative as the subject.

nor drink.

10 And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord.

11 And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight. and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus: for behold, he prayeth,

12 And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias, coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight.

13 Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem:

14 And here he hath authority from the chief priests, to bind all that call on thy name.

15 But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a GREEK TEXT.

out sight, and neither did eat μη βλέπων, και ούκ ἔφαγεν οὐδε 10 3 Ην δέ τις μαθητής έν Δαμασκώ ονόματι 'Ανανίας, καὶ εἶπε πρὸς αὐτὸν ὁ κύριος ἐν Ο δε είπεν, οράματι, 'Ανανία. Ιδού έγω, κύριε. 11 Ο δε κύριος προς αύτον, 'Αναστάς πορεύθητι έπὶ την ρύμην την καλουμένην Εὐθεῖαν, καὶ ζήτησον ἐν οἰκία Ιούδα Σαῦλον ὀνόματι, Ταρσέα. ίδου γαρ προσεύχεται, 12 καὶ είδεν έν δράματι άνδρα ονόματι 'Ανανίαν εἰσελθόντα καὶ ἐπιθέντα αύτῷ χεῖρα, ὅπως ἀναβλέψη. 13 'Απεκρίθη δὲ ὁ 'Ανανίας, Κύριε, ἀκήκοα ἀπὸ πολλών περὶ τοῦ ἀνδρὸς τούτου, ὅσα κακὰ έποίησε τοις άγίοις σου έν Ίερουσαλήμ. 14 καὶ ὧδε ἔχει ἐξουσίαν παρά τῶν ἀρχιερέων, δῆσαι πάντας τοὺς ἐπικαλουμένους τὸ ὄνομά σου. 15 Eίπε δὲ πρὸς αὐτὸν ὁ κύριος, Πορεύου, ὅτι σκεῦος the Lord said to him, *Go, for chosen vessel unto me, to bear $|\vec{\epsilon}\kappa\lambda o\gamma \hat{\eta}s|$ $\mu o \vec{\epsilon}\sigma\tau i \nu$ o $\hat{v}\tau o \hat{v}$, $\tau o \hat{v}$ he is a chosen instrument for

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three days gwithout seeing, and did not eat nor drink.

Now, there was a certain 10 disciple at Damascus, named Ananias: and the Lord said to him in a vision, Ananias! And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord said to 11 him, Arise and go hupon the street which is called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for behold he is praying to ime, and has seen in a vision 12 a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight. Then Ananias answer- 13 ed, Lord, I have heard, by many, of this man, how much evil he has done to thy saints who are in Jerusalem. And 14 here he has authority from the chief Priests, to bind all ithose invoking thy name. But 15

Vessel, instrument. We prefer the latter. Vessel, nowa-days, is more appropriate to ships and seafaring life. $\Sigma \kappa \epsilon vos$, indicates any kind of instrument .- The genitive use of exhores is rather Hebraistic than Grecian. It is a strong expression of the idea-an instrument of choice-rather than a chosen instrument. But we cannot legitimately think that there is any special reference to an eternal, or to a temporal choice, but to the admirable adaptation of the man to the work. However true that doctrine may be, it is not in the premises

⁶ And he was three days without seeing. Μη βλεπων, and | —habitually, so employed. Hence, as indicative of a class eat not nor drank. To agree with drank it should be the imperfect and not the preterite, the imperfect is yet read eat as well as ate. We eat and drank is still in use amongst our best writers.

h Επι την όνμην, upon the street. Literally, as directions to find houses should be given-Go up on the street called Straight.

¹ Paul always prayed, as a Jew. Still I am not tenacious of supplements. It is a fact that he then prayed to Jesus, which he had never done before.

[&]quot;For behold he prays."--Did Paul, who affirmed, that, "touching the righteousness that is in the law, he was blameless "-never before pray!! Certainly he prayed, else he could not have said this, or that he had, as a Jew, "lived in all good conscience before God," even to the day of his conversion.

I submit, therefore, that the facts in the case demand the supplement "to me." "For behold," said Jesus, "he prays to me, or in my name."

¹ Tovs επικαλουμένους, thee calling on thy name. Who calls is more apposite to a class. All calling upon thy name—is not so specific-i. e., indicative of a class. These are professionally before us. Both truth and error are weakened by violence.

rather than of an act, we prefer those that call, to those

k Πορενω-πορενομαι, proficiscor-pergo, iterfacio; often used in this sense, Critica Sacra; go, Thomp., Wes., Penn, Wakefield; arise and go, Murd., Booth.

¹ Σκευος εκλογης μοι, a chosen vessel, Murd., Thomp., Booth., Penn, Wake.; βαστασαι, properly to bear up, to lift up. Jos. Ant. 7:11, 7; John 10:31—to exalt my name. We prefer to carry-"It signifieth only to carry," Crit. Sacra. It is rendered to bear, Murd., Wake., Penn, Wes., Thomp. To bear and carry, are used as synonyms in vessels or ships of burthen. Ενωπιον, in conspectu, coram.

my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel.

16 For I will show him how my name's sake.

17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house: and putting his hands on him, said, Brother Saul, the Lord (even Jesus that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest) hath sent me that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was

baptized.

19 And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damas-

20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

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βαστάσαι τὸ ὄνομά μου ἐνώπιον έθνων καὶ βασιλέων, υίων τε Ισραήλ. 16 έγω γαρ υποδείξω great things he must suffer for $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \hat{\varphi}$, $\delta \sigma \alpha \delta \epsilon \hat{\iota} \alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \hat{\rho} \nu \dot{\nu} \pi \hat{\epsilon} \rho \tau \hat{\nu} \hat{\nu}$ ονόματός μου παθείν.

> 17 ' $A\pi \hat{\eta}\lambda \theta \epsilon$ $\delta \hat{\epsilon}$ 'Avavias καὶ είσηλθεν είς την οἰκίαν, καὶ έπιθεὶς έπ' αὐτὸν τὰς χείρας εἶπε, Σαουλ άδελφε, ο Κύριος απέσταλκέ με, 'Ιησοῦς ὁ ὀφθείς σοι ἐν τῆ ὁδῷ ή ήρχου, όπως αναβλέψης καὶ $\pi \lambda \eta \sigma \theta \hat{\eta} s \quad \Pi \nu \epsilon \hat{\nu} \mu \alpha \tau \sigma s$ $^{\epsilon}A\gamma$ ίου. 18 Καὶ εὐθέως ἀπέπεσον ἀπὸ τῶν ὀφθαλμῶν αὐτοῦ ὡσεὶ λεπίδες, ἀνέβλεψέ τε παραχρημα, καὶ ἀναστὰς ἐβαπτίσθη, 19 καὶ λαβων τροφην ένίσχυσεν. Έγενετο δε ο Σαῦλος μετα των εν he was strengthened. Then Δαμασκώ μαθητών ήμέρας τινάς. 20 καὶ εὐθέως ἐν ταῖς συναγωγαῖς έκήρυσσε τον Χριστον, ὅτι οὖτός έστιν ὁ νίὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ.

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me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I 1 will mindicate to him how great things he must suffer on account of my name.

And Ananias went away and 3 entered into the house, and having laid his hands on him, said, Brother Saul, othe Lord, even Jesus, who appeared to you in the way as you came, has sent me, that you may receive sight, and be pfilled with the Holy Spirit. immediately there fell from his eyes, as it were scales: and he received sight qforthwith, and arose, and was immersed: and having taken food 19 Paul was some days with the disciples who were at Damascus. And immediately he 20 *proclaimed Christ in the syna-21 ¿Éi- gogues, that this is the Son

- " Απηλθε, went away, επιθεις—χειρας—and "put his hands" on him, Wake.; "laid his hands," Murd.; "having laid his hands," Thomp.; "laying his hands," Penn; "putting his hands," Wes.; when he had put his hands, Booth.; and put his hands, Geneva, Cranmer; imposing hands, Rheims; and laid on him his hands, Wiclif.
- · Ιησους ὁ οφθεις—ὁ κυριος, per apposition—the Lord Jesus, Wakefield; our Lord Jesus, Murd.; the Lord, even Jesus, Thomp.; the Lord Jesus, Murd.; "the Lord has sent me, Jesus who appeared to thee," Wesley. We prefer, the Lord, even Jesus who appeared, &c.
- P Filled with Holy Spirit—with capitals Holy Spirit does not at any time denote a mere spiritual influence, and, in the case of Paul, it was not an ordinary influence that was vouchsafed to him. He was Apostolically a temple of the Holy Spirit, and not merely, as all Christians are, possessed of its sanctifying. comforting influence. But theologically we do not discuss this subject, but only say that according to the text before us doubtless has reference to his personal abiding.

- m Ἰποδειξω--ύποδεικνυμι, premonstro--indico. I will show | authorities exsurgers. See Thesauros Græcæ Linguæ Redactus secundum Constantini Methodum et Schrevellii Reseratus-Concinatus &c. Gulielmi Robertson, An. Dom. 1676, And arose and was immersed—" on this Hebraistic use of the word see Gesen. Lex. p. 919 "-Hack. Λαβων τροφην, having taken food.
 - r O Σαυλος. Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf. omit ὁ Σαυλος in this
 - * Εκηρυσσε. He proclaimed Jesus (τον Ιησουν, Gries., Sch., Ln., and Tf.) that he is-or that himself is the Son of God.
 - "He preached Christ, that he was the Son of God"-That "Jesus is the Christ"—and that "the Christ, is the Son of God," are two forms of the great apostolic proposition, announced, debated, and established in that age. To preach thus, was to announce it, with all evidence, and with all authority. Paul having formerly denied this fact, gave great prominence and weight to it in his annunciations of it.
- "To teach" and "to preach" Christ, were technical or professional phrases in that age. They were then regarded as it is printed as the Holy Spirit, although anarthrous, and different works; as enlisting soldiers and training them. The κηουσσω and the διδασκω families have neither consanguinity 4 Παραχοημα, is omitted by Gb., Ln., Tf.; και αναστας, is nor affinity. The latter is always teach, the former is always not necessarily rendered having risen. It is by the highest preach, publish, or proclaim. They never ought to be con-

him, or indicate to him-is more in harmony with our style.

amazed, and said, Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

22 But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

23 And after that many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him.

24 But their laying wait was known of Saul. And they watched the gates day and night to kill him.

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21 But all that heard him were σταντο δε πάντες οι άκουοντες καὶ έλεγον, Ούχ οδτός έστιν ο πορθήσας έν 'Ιερουσαλημ τούς έπικαλουμένους τὸ ὄνομα τοῦτο. καὶ ώδε εἰς τοῦτο ἐλελύθει ἵνα δεδεμένους αὐτοὺς ἀγάγη ἐπὶ τοὺς άρχιερείς; 22 Σαύλος δε μάλλον ένεδυναμοῦτο, καὶ συνέχυνε τοὺς 'Ιουδαίους τους κατοικοῦντας έν Δαμασκώ, συμβιβάζων ὅτι οὖτός έστιν ὁ Χριστός. 23 ώς δὲ έπληροῦντο ἡμέραι ἱκανεὶ, συνεβουλείσαντο οι Ιουδαίοι άνελείν αὐτόν 24 ἐγνώσθη δὲ τῷ Σαύλφ ή έπιβουλή αὐτῶν. παρετήρουν τε τὰς πύλας ἡμέρας τε καὶ νυκτός, όπως αὐτὸν ἀνέλωσι 25 Then the disciples took 25 λαβόντες δὲ αὐτὸν οἱ μαθηταὶ Then the disciples took him 25

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of God. But all that heard 21 him were amazed, and said, Is not this he who destroyed those who invoked this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for this purpose, that he might bring them bound to the chief Priests? But Saul increased 22 the more in strength, and "confounded the Jews who dwelt in Damascus, vproving that this person is the Christ. Now 23 when many days were accomplished, the Jews consulted to wkill him. But their *conspir- 24 acy was ³known to Saul, and they watched the gates, day and night, that they might kill him.

founded or substituted one for the other. The teacher is a | But their conspiracy was known. See Helian 3:5,9. Xev., διδασκαλος, and his teaching a διδαχη, or doctrine, whereas the preacher is a κηρυξ, and his preaching a κερυγμα, or proclamation. These are works sometimes contrasted, at least distinguished in the New Testament. "They ceased not to preach and teach Jesus Christ," or to teach Christ to the initiated; and to preach him to the uninitiated. See also 2 Tim. 1:11. There we find κήρυξ και αποστολος εθνων, και διδασκαλος concentrated in one man. Paul was a "preacher, and a teacher, and an apostle," sent to the nations.

We now have preachers many, and teachers many, and often in the same persons; but no apostles save "The Twelve" and Paul, who, though dead, are still speaking to us.

- · Εξιστάντο δε πάντες-εξιστημι-ιστάμαι, obstupesco, obstupefacio. Ad verbum declarat—they were extra se esse, Beza, whence the word extacy quasi extra se sit raptus. So percellor or obstupesco; for the Greek word signifieth, mentem alicujus veluti loco commovere, which the Latin percello doth, Beza. See 2 Cor. 5: 13. Transported. And they were amazed, Acts 2:7; 8:13; 9:21; 10:45; and 12:16. Amazed, astonished, bewitched-beside one's self, wondered. So it is rendered in the com. ver., in its 17 occurrences.
- " "Disputed with those Jews who understood Greek." Syriac Version, ch. 6:1. The Grecian disciples murmured against the Hebrews.
- " "Proving that this person is the Christ," is better than proving that this one is the true Christ.
 - * Δνελειν, to put him aside. To kill him was their scheme.
 - * Επιβουλη, conspiracy. Wiles—lying in wait is obsolete. Athen. p. 214.

Hell. 3: 3, 4, 5. Also Sept. Hist. 2: 22. And παρε τηρουν, imp. They watched the gates narrowly, both day and night. Τε και όπως, in order that, ανελωσε—they might put him aside. Αναιρεω-here found Aor. 2d Sub., ανελφ, 3d per. plur.—that they might abolish or destroy him.

- y Authorities for both are about equal, known to, or known by, Saul. We prefer the former. It was not known by him as the means, but to him as the end.
- * Then the disciples, λαβοντες, "taking him by night, let him down through the wall in a basket," Dodd., Wakefield; "by the side of the wall," Bloomfield; through the wall-by an aperture, Ols.; by the side of the wall, Dodd., Wakefield. Δια. By a comparison of 2 Cor. 11:33 δια must here mean through, i. e., by an aperture, Bloom.; "let him down in a basket through an opening in the city wall," Ols. Lia Ivoidos--sporta, a basket, a pannier. Some think that sporta was a measure twice as large as cophinus, because Paul was let down in a sporta, Critica Sacra; Christ distinguishes between cophinos and sportas, Matthew 16: 9, 10. It is also used Matthew 15:37; Mark 8:8, 10; Crit. Sacra.-There must have been an opening in the wall-to justify the use of δια. Χαλασαντες, lowering him, or letting him down. This event is more fully detailed by Paul himself-"Through a window in a basket was I let down by the wall," 2 Cor. 11:33. Such windows in walls are noted in the East, Jos. 11: 15. See Aristoph. Vesp. p. 354-379. Athen. p. 214. -There is an engraving of a part of the present wall of Dam. in C. and H. i, p. 110. See also Aristoph. Ves. p. 354 and 379.

by the wall in a basket.

26 And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.

27 But Barnabas took him. and brought him to the apostles. and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus.

28 And he was with them coming in and going out at Jerusalem.

29 And he spake boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the Grecians: but they went about to slay him.

30 Which when the brethren knew, they brought him down to Cesarea, and sent him forth to Tarsus.

31 Then had the churches

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him by night, and let him down νυκτὸς, καθηκαν διὰ τοῦ τείχους, χαλάσαντες έν σπυρίδι. 26 Παραγενόμενος δε ο Σαθλος είς Ίερουσαλήμ, έπειρατο κολλασθαι τοις μαθηταις και πάντες έφοβούντο αὐτὸν, μη πιστεύοντες 27 Βαρνάβας δτι έστὶ μαθητής. δε έπιλαβόμενος αύτον, ήγαγε προς τους αποστόλους, και διηγήσατο αὐτοῖς πῶς ἐν τῆ ὁδῷ είδε τον Κύριον, καὶ ὅτι ἐλάλησεν αὐτῷ, καὶ πῶς ἐν Δαμασκῷ έπαρρησιάσατο έν τῷ ὀνόματι τοῦ Ἰησοῦ. 28 καὶ ἦν μετ' αύτῶν εἰσπορευόμενος καὶ ἐκπορευόμένος έν Ίερουσαλημ, καὶ παρρησιαζόμενος έν τῷ ὀνόματι του Κυρίου Ίησοῦ, 29 ἐλάλει τε καὶ συνεξήτει προς τους Ελληνι στάς οι δε έπεχειρουν αυτον έπιγνόντες δε οί άνελείν. άδελφοὶ κατήγαγον αύτον είς Καισάρειαν, καὶ έξαπέστειλαν αὐτὸν εἰς Ταρσόν.

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by night, and let him down through the wall in a basket. But *coming into Jerusalem, 26 he was attempting to attach himself to the disciples; but they were all fearing him, not believing him to be a disciple. But Barnabas took him 27 and brought him to the Apostles, and fully declared to them, how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had boldly preached at Damascus, in the name of Jesus.

And he was with them, com- 28 ing in and going out in Jerusalem, and preaching boldly in 29 the name of the Lord bJesus, and was talking and disputing with the Hellenists; but they undertook to kill him. The 30 brethren, having dascertained this, conducted him into Cæsarea, and sent him out into Tarsus. Then the congregations 31 rest throughout all Judea, and $\vec{ov} = \vec{\epsilon} \kappa \kappa \lambda \eta \sigma i \alpha \iota \kappa \alpha \theta'$ $\delta \lambda \eta s = \tau \hat{\eta} s$ had peace, throughout all Judea,

Paul's conversion is here alluded to, as possessing great in-

Εκκλησιαι—επληθυνοντος—congregations were multiplied. Chaldaic—the Aramaen—\(\pi\)eos more properly with than The idea of national, imperial, or provincial churches is without one vestige of authority in all the handprints and footprints of the Apostolic writings or labors. The Church of A murmuring arose against the Hebrews on the Galatia, the Church of Asia, the Church of Galilee, Samaria, part of the Greek converts," 6:1, Penn. Translators have or Judea-of the Jews or of the Gentiles-occurs not once in thus varied, for the sake of placing the same people before the the Acts, or in any other book in the N. Testament; but we reader in various attitudes. And so did the Apostles in pre- often read of the churches in numerous districts. Such as the senting the same Gospel facts. Still this is a matter of taste churches of Judea, Samaria, Syria, Cilicia. "Churches of Christ"-churches of the Gentiles, Churches of Asia, churches d de, "but come to a knowledge of it," is in our day and of Macedonia, "churches of God," &c., &c. In all such cases, style, better represented by ascertained—for "brought him as already intimated, it is not Church in Greek but εκκλησια, "congregation" or "assembly." The Church of Rome, of

^a But παραγομένος, Aor. Part. coming (εις) into Jerusalem. attempt). O Savlos is omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. Kallaσθαι—attach himself—τοις μαθηταις, to the disciples, and they were all fearing him (imp. mid. following acc.), not, miorevovres, believing him to be a disciple—or that he is a disciple.

b Jesus is omitted by Ln., Tf.

[&]quot;And was disputing with the Hellenists." These were the Jewish converts who spake the Greek language. The fluence on the churches-both on their peace and prosperity. Palestine Jews were called Hebrews. They spoke the Syroagainst, and more frequently to than either.

[&]quot;And he spake and disputed with the Judaising Greeks," and not of authority.

down to "-conducted him into Cæsarea.

E The term exxlygia is not found in this book in the Execute, he was attempting, (the imperfect shows a continuous singular number applied to a plurality of churches or communities scattered over one or more provinces or cities, we, therefore, in this case prefer the com. reading to the reading of Ln. and Tf. We have the church of God, the church of Christ, but we have not a church of churches, in apostolic currency.

Galilee, and Samaria, and were edified: and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.

- 32 And it came to pass, as Peter passed throughout, all quarters, he came down also to the saints which dwelt at Lydda.
- 33 And there he found a certain man named Eneas, which had kept his bed eight years, and was sick of the palsy.
- 34 And Peter said unto him, Eneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed. And he arose immediately.
- 35 And all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.
- 36 Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas; this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did.
- 37 And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, νετο δε έν ταις ήμέραις εκείναις came to pass in those days that

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'Ιουδαίας καὶ Γαλιλαίας καὶ Σα-| dea, and Galilee, and Samaria, μαρείας είχον είρήνην, οίκοδομούμεναι καὶ πορευόμεναι τῷ φόβφ τοῦ Κυρίου, καὶ τῆ παρακλήσει τοῦ Αγίου Πνεύματος ἐπληθύνοντο.

διερχόμενον διὰ πάντων, κατελ- among all, came down also to $\theta \epsilon \hat{\imath} \nu \kappa \alpha \hat{\imath} \pi \rho \hat{o} s \tau o \hat{\nu} s \hat{a} \gamma \hat{\imath} o \nu s \tau o \hat{\nu} s$ the saints that dwelt at κατοικούντας $\Lambda \dot{\upsilon} \delta \delta \alpha \nu$. ³³ $\epsilon \dot{\tilde{\upsilon}} \rho \epsilon$ Lydda: and there he found a 33 δε έκει ἄνθρωπόν τινα Αινέαν ονόματι, έξ έτων όκτω κατακείμενον έπὶ κραββάτω, δε ἦν παρα- $\lambda \epsilon \lambda \nu \mu \epsilon \nu o s$. 34 καὶ $\epsilon i \pi \epsilon \nu$ αὐτ $\hat{\omega}$ \hat{o} Πέτρος, Aὶνέα, ἰᾶταί σε Ἰησοῦς ό Χριστός ἀνάστηθι καὶ στρῶ- $\sigma o \nu \sigma \epsilon \alpha v \tau \hat{\varphi}$. $K \alpha \hat{\iota} \epsilon \hat{\upsilon} \theta \hat{\epsilon} \omega s \hat{\alpha} \nu \hat{\epsilon} \sigma \tau \eta$ bed. And he arose immediate-35 καὶ εἶδον αὐτὸν πάντες οἱ κατοι- ly. And all who dwelt at 35 κοῦντες Λύδδαν καὶ τὸν Σαρω- Lydda, and Saron, beheld him, ναν, οίτινες ἐπέστρεψαν ἐπὶ τὸν κύριον.

36 Έν Ἰόππη δέ τις ήν μαθήτρια ὀνόματι Ταβιθά, η διερμηνευομένη λέγεται Δορκάς αὐτη ην πλήρης άγαθων έργων καὶ $\epsilon \lambda \epsilon \eta \mu o \sigma \upsilon \nu \hat{\omega} \nu \hat{\epsilon} \pi o i \epsilon \iota^{37} \hat{\epsilon} \gamma \hat{\epsilon}$ alms which she did. Now it 37

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being edified; and, walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the consolation of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.

'Now it happened that 32 32 ' $E\Gamma ENETO$ $\delta \epsilon$ $H\epsilon au
ho o
u$ Peter, while passing through certain man, named Æneas, who had kept his bed beight years, and was sick of the palsy. And Peter said to him, 34 Æneas, Jesus, the Christ, heals you. Arise and make your and turned to the Lord.

> Now there was, in Joppa, a 36 certain disciple, named Tabitha ('which by 'interpretation is called, Dorcas): this woman was full of good works, and of

England, of France, of Germany, &c., &c., ought to be re-|infirm persons, a couch is more appropriate, as indicating a garded as solecisms. A national Church is as foreign to the Bible and reason as a national priest, a national prophet, or a national bride. Still more incongruous to speak of a national congregation, as the congregation of Judea, Samaria, Asia, France, England, or the United States.

- f de and xas here should be represented by two words in our language-now and also-and especially as commencing a new subject.
- g Προς τους άγιους, not ήγιασμενους, ch. 20: 32, sanctified ones, but ayious, saints.
- It has been questioned by some, whether δια παντων does refer to τοπων or to άγιων understood. We prefer the former, because in Luke's currency, in some twenty occurrences in this book, it uniformly refers to places.
- ▶ Εξ ετων οκτω-out of eight years-from eight years before, during eight years.

state of infirmity—a softer bed. He was paralytic.

- 1 H, relating to the name and not to the person, should be rendered which, or that, of all genders. The former is more in use. Μαθητρια—disciple—an άπαξ λεγομενον.
- 1 Διεομηνευομένη, part. pres. pass., being explained, too philosophical; being expounded, too didactical. Being interpreted is its radical meaning from House-Mercury-messenger of the gods, classic. Its family, occurring only seven times in the N. T., is uniformly represented by interpret, interpretation, i. e., explanation.
- k Ων εποιει—which she did, do alms—is not so established as to give or bestow alms. But this is not the solitary subject of the verb. Good works and alms are comprehended. No term can apply to both so well-we can give alms, but not good works, but we can do or practice both.
- 1 Eyevero de. Now it came to pass, in those days, that this Επι κραββατφ, upon a cot or small bed; but, for sick and woman, being enfeebled, died. This preserves the accusative

and died: whom when they had washed, they laid her in an upper chamber.

38 And forasmuch as Lydda was nigh to Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent unto him two men, desiring him that he would not delay to come to them.

39 Then Peter arose, and went with them. When he was come, they brought him into the upper chamber: and all the widows stood by him weeping, and shewing the coats and garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them.

40 But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed; and turning him to the body, said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up.

41 And he gave her his hand, and lifted her up; and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive.

42 And it was known throughout all Joppa: and many believed in the Lord.

43 And it came to pass, that he tarried many days in Joppa with one Simon a tanner.

CHAP. X.

THERE was a certain man in

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άσθενήσασαν αύτην άποθανείν λούσαντες δε αύτην έθηκαν έν ύπερώω. 38 έγγυς δε ούσης Λύδδης τη 'Ιόππη, οι μαθηταὶ ἀκούσαντες ότι Πέτρος έστιν έν αυτή, άπέστειλαν δύο άνδρας προς αύτον, παρακαλούντες μη οκνήσαι 39 άναστας διελθείν έως αὐτῶν. δε Πέτρος συνηλθεν αὐτοῖς ον παραγενόμενον άνηγαγον είς τὸ ύπερώον, καὶ παρέστησαν αὐτώ πάσαι αί χῆραι κλαίουσαι καὶ έπιδεικνύμεναι χιτώνας καὶ ἱμάτια όσα έποίει μετ' αὐτῶν οὖσα 40 έκβαλων δὲ έξω ή Δορκάς. πάντας ὁ Πέτρος, θεὶς τὰ γόνατα προσηύξατο καὶ ἐπιστρέψας προς το σώμα, είπε, Ταβιθά, Ή δὲ ήνοιξε τοὺς ανάστηθι. όφθαλμούς αύτης καὶ ίδοῦσα τον Πέτρον, άνεκάθισε. 41 δούς δὲ αὐτῆ χεῖρα, ἀνέστησεν αὐτήν φωνήσας δε τους άγίους καὶ τὰς χήρας, παρέστησεν αὐτὴν ζῶσαν. γνωστον δε έγένετο καθ' όλης της Ιόππης, καὶ πολλοὶ ἐπίστευσαν έπὶ τὸν Κύριον 43 έγένετο δὲ ἡμέρας ίκανὰς μείναι αὐτὸν έν 'Ιόππη παρά τινι Σίμωνι βυρσεῖ.

CHAP. X.

'ΑΝΗΡ δέ τις ἢν ἐν Καισα-Cesarea, called Cornelius, a cen- ρεία ὀνόματι Κορνήλιος, έκατον- sarea, called Cornelius, a cen-

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she, being sick, died. And, having washed her, they placed her in an upper room. And Lydda being near to Jop- 38 pa, the disciples, having heard that Peter was in that place, sent two men to him, entreating, that he would not delay to come through as far as to them. Then Peter, arising, 39 went with them; whom having come, they led into the upper room; and all the widows stood by him weeping, and shewing vests and mantles, mall which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter, putting 40 them all forth, kneeled down and prayed; and turning to the body, said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes. 41 And when she saw Peter, she sat up, and he gave her his hand, and caused her to stand up; and having called the saints and widows, he presented her alive. And it was 42 known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. And he tarried many 43 days in Joppa, with one Simon, a tanner.

CHAP. X.

"Now a certain man in Cæ- 1

construction and dispenses with the addition of xai-and having washed her, they placed her in an upper room.

m " All which." It is not exactly a supplement. Ooa is in the copy of the approved Greek text

" Δε, now-(ην is omitted by Gb., Ln., Tf.). It is unnecessary, and redundant; a certain man in Cæsarea, (ovoματι) by name, Cornelius; εκ σπειρης της καλουμενης Ιταλικης, ad literam, of a band the called Italian, or that being called would now say, of a band called the Italian band.

We have a rule applicable to this case, of high authority, in a very learned tract, called "Constantini Rhodocanacidis Chiensis Tractatus De Articulis"; appended to some editions of Wm. Robertson's "Thesaurus Græcæ Lingnæ," printed Cantabrigiæ A.D. 1676.—Rule 2d. Nomen substantivum seu appellativum si conjunctum habet adjectivum exigit articulum; ita tamen ut si adjectivum preponatur, unicus articulus ipsi prefixus sufficit. Vide Demosthenes pro Corona.

Others resolve this case so as to read, of a band, that called the Italian. But this, too, is not our present vernacular. We the Italian, which would make this clause unnecessarily

parenthetical, and redundant.

turion of the band called the Italian band,

- 2 A devout man, and one that feareth God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alwavs.
- 3 He saw in a vision evidently, about the ninth hour of the day, an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius.
- 4 And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.
- 5 And now send men to Joppa, and call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter:
- 6 He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea-side: he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do.

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 $\tau \alpha \rho \chi \eta s \epsilon \kappa \sigma \pi \epsilon i \rho \eta s \tau \eta s \kappa \alpha \lambda o \nu \mu \epsilon$ turion of the band, called the νης Ίταλικης, ² εὐσεβης καὶ Italian Band, a odeyout man, 2 φοβούμενος τον Θεον σύν παντί and one who feared God, $\tau \hat{\varphi}$ οἴκ φ αὐτοῦ, ποιῶν τ ϵ έλ $\epsilon \eta$ - with all his family, who gave $\mu o \sigma \dot{\nu} \nu a s \pi o \lambda \lambda \dot{a} s \tau \hat{\omega} \lambda a \hat{\omega}$, $\kappa a \dot{\nu}$ much palms to the people, and δεόμενος του Θεού διαπαντός prayed to God continually; $\delta = i\delta \epsilon \nu \dot{\epsilon} \nu \dot{\epsilon} \rho \dot{\alpha} \mu \alpha \tau \iota \dot{\alpha} \nu \epsilon \rho \dot{\omega} s$, $\dot{\omega} \sigma \dot{\epsilon} \iota \dot{\alpha}$ he distinctly saw in a vision, 3 $\tilde{\omega}\rho\alpha\nu$ $\epsilon\nu\nu\alpha\tau\eta\nu$ $\tau\eta s$ $\eta\mu\epsilon\rho\alpha s$, $\alpha\gamma\gamma\epsilon$ - about the ninth hour of the λον τοῦ θ εοῦ εἰσελθόντα πρὸς day, an angel of God coming in αὐτὸν, καὶ εἰπόντα αὐτῷ, $Ko\rho$ - to him, and saying to him, Cor- $\nu\eta\lambda\iota\epsilon$. 4 'O $\delta\dot{\epsilon}$ $\dot{\alpha}\tau\epsilon\nu\iota\sigma\alpha$ s $\dot{\alpha}\dot{\nu}\tau\hat{\omega}$ nelius! And when he slooked 4 καὶ ἔμφοβος γενόμενος εἶπε, T'_{ℓ} on him he was afraid, and said; $\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\tau\iota$, $\kappa\dot{\nu}\rho\iota\epsilon$; $\dot{\epsilon}\iota\dot{\pi}\epsilon$ $\delta\dot{\epsilon}$ $\alpha\dot{\nu}\tau\dot{\omega}$, $A\dot{\iota}$ What is it, Lord? And he said $\pi\rho\sigma\sigma\epsilon\nu\chi\alpha i$ $\sigma\sigma\nu$ $\kappa\alpha i$ αi $\epsilon\lambda\epsilon\eta\mu\sigma\sigma\nu$ to him, your prayers and your ναι σου ἀνέβησαν είς μνημόσυ- alms are come up for a meνον ένώπιον τοῦ Θ εοῦ. ⁵ καὶ νῦν morial of you before God. And 5 $\pi \epsilon \mu \psi o \nu \epsilon i s$ 'Io $\pi \pi \eta \nu$ a $\nu \delta \rho a s$, $\kappa a i$ now usend men to Joppa, and μετάπεμψαι Σίμονα δς ἐπικαλεῖ- call for one Simon, whose surται Πέτρος· 6 οὖτος ξενίζεται name is Peter. He lodges with 6 π αρά τινι Σίμονι βυρσεῖ, ὧ έστιν one Simon, a tanner, whose οἰκία π αρὰ θάλασσαν· οὖτος house is by the "sea-shore. He $\lambda \alpha \lambda \eta \sigma \epsilon \iota \sigma \sigma \iota \tau \iota \sigma \epsilon \delta \epsilon \iota \pi \sigma \iota \epsilon \iota \nu$. will tell you what you ought

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- · Eυσεβης, a pious man, Booth., Thomp. Religious, Rheims, Wiclif. Devout, Penn, Tyndale, Cranmer, Geneva, Wakef. Righteous, Murd. Devoted, or devout, is more expressive. It is, in its four occurrences, com. ver., once godly, and three times devout.
- P Ποιων τε ελεημοσυνας πολλας, alms always, com. ver. occurs fourteen times, yet doing alms is not in our currency, while giving alms is popular.
- ^q Δεομενος του Θεου, beseeching God, asking of God, and was praying to God. Praying evermore, Wic. Pray'd God, Tynd., Cran., Gen. Always praying, Rheims. Prayed to God, Wes., Booth., Penn, Thomp., Mur., Wakef.
- ^τ E_{ν} δραματι. Literally in vision; but all versions have a vision, and that with propriety, too; inasmuch as a particular vision is referred to-besides, "in vision", is generic and absolute, which in this case could not be true. Cornelius! Vocative simply, rather than interrogative.
- · O δε ατενισας, and steadfastly looking; or, when he had fastened his eyes upon him. Such is its currency in the N. T. When he looked, or earnestly gazed upon him, he became terrified, or was affrighted.
- ι Αι ελεημοσυναι, alms, or alms deeds, in all versions, except Thompson's, in which "acts of benevolence" is used; but this is too general.

- ^a Μεταπεμψαι, send, or call for, com. ver.; the former is preferable. In all versions it is represented by one or other.
- * Ούτος ξενιζεται, ind. pass., is being entertained; with us, lodges with, oùros hadnoel ou re os del noise, omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. It is, however, the end of the mission, the purpose of the call.

Ovros, this person, is more definite and emphatic than he, though frequently so rendered. In emphatic cases, this, or this person, is most eligible.

"He shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do"-ovros lalnosi ou ti os dei noisiv—is repudiated from the text by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.

w Παρα θαλασσαν, literally, near a sea.

This appears a very vague direction, especially if we insert, as a prefix, our indefinite article. In this case this would seem inapropos. Near sea, near lake, near home, near town. are our familiar formulas; not near a sea, near a lake, near a home, near a town. Hypercriticism stands reproved in this, as in some other cases, in the insertion of our indefinite article where the noun is anarthrous in Greek. These are beacons not to be disregarded.

But again, "near sea" is idiomatic of "the sea-shore" or "sea-side," for which we sometimes have παρα την θαλασσαν, near the sea, that is, of course, a special sea in every case.

7 And when the angel which spake unto Cornelius was departed, he called two of his household servants, and a devout soldier of them that waited on him continually;

8 And when he had declared all these things unto them, he

sent them to Joppa.

9 On the morrow as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, Peter went up upon the house-top to pray, about the sixth hour:

10 And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell

into a trance,

11 And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth:

12 Wherein were all manner of four-footed beasts of the earth, πάντα τὰ τετράποδα τῆς γῆς καὶ animals, and wild beasts, and

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 7 Ω_{S} δε ἀπηλθεν ὁ ἄγγελος ὁ λαλών τω Κορνηλίω, φωνήσας δύο τῶν οἰκετῶν αὐτοῦ, καὶ στρατιώτην εὐσεβη τῶν προσκαρτερούντων αὐτῶ, 8 καὶ ἐξηγησάμενος αὐτοῖς ἄπαντα, ἀπέστειλεν αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν Ἰόππην. 3 Τῆ δε επαύριον όδοιπορούντων εκείνων καὶ τῆ πόλει έγγιζόντων, άνέβη Πέτρος έπὶ το δώμα προσεύξασθαι, περί ώραν έκτην. 10 εγένετο δε πρόσπεινος, καὶ ήθελε γεύσασθαι παρασκευαζόντων δὲ ἐκείνων, ἐπέπεσεν ἐπ΄ αύτον έκστασις, 11 καὶ θεωρεῖ τον ούρανον άνεφγμένον, καὶ καταβαίνον ἐπ' αὐτὸν σκεῦός τι ὡς όθόνην μεγάλην, τέσσαρσιν άρχαίς δεδεμένον, καὶ καθιέμενον $\tilde{\epsilon}\pi i \tau \hat{\eta} s \gamma \hat{\eta} s$ 12 $\tilde{\epsilon} \nu \tilde{\phi} \tilde{\upsilon} \pi \hat{\eta} \rho \chi \epsilon$ REVISED VERSION.

to do. And when the angel 7 who spoke to Cornelius was gone, he called two of his domestics, and a devout soldier of those who waited on him; and having *fully related all 8 these things to them, be sent them to Joppa. Again, on the 9 next day, while they were on their journey, and drew near the city, Peter went up on the house-top to pray, at about the sixth hour. And becoming very 10 hungry, he desired to eat. Now while they were preparing, he fell into a trance, and saw the 11 heaven open, and a deertain vessel descending to him like a great white sheet, bound together at four corners, and let down to the earth; in which 12 were all kinds of four-footed

same law that would justify a sea-shore would here justify a as a spirit disembodied, upon the scene before him. sand, which of course would not be innumerable!

- * Εξηγησαμενος, fully related. Literally, exegetically developed.
- y $\Delta \varepsilon$, again, on the next day. Δs is here continuative, well represented by, and, generally, but when reiteration is implied, again, with us, is more in our idiom.
- * Literally "onto", but not in our educated currency. It is not found in Webster, but is in Worcester. Went up upon is too pleonastic. We prefer ascended, ascended the housetop. Septuagint usage is in favor of the term, building. Flat roofs were more in use then than now. The term roof would be apposite, if more in our currency. Garret would be Its Scotch representative-house-top leaves the place where, with us, as the original presents it.
- * He was desiring is too indefinite, too continuative. At the end of his prayer rather than during it, he desired to eat. de will suit either rendition. With us, and is not necessarily continuative, any more than was. Both are sometimes so. The next verse indicates an event of hunger—he desired to eat. The sense of hunger greatly awakens the sensorium, and, appositely to the occasion, he fell into a trance, in harmony with the keen demands of appetite.
 - b Εκστασις, an ecstasy, literally, standing out of himself.

2σει αμμος, as sand, not as a sand on the sea-shore. The His outward senses were no encumbrance to him. He gazed,

- · Θεωρει. He, literally, theorises, considers with emphatic attention. It is a sort of historic present, and might be rendered, he fully considered, or contemplated the exhibition, the scene. But the action, being continuative is properly present to his inspection, but it is told in the imperfect tense, and, therefore, saw is admissible. Odovnv, sheet or cloth; occurring only twice in N. T., and represented by sheet, we prefer it to cloth. Sheets are often joined at the four corners. This is more definite, and larger than oforior, which may be any sort of linen cloth, as used elsewhere, five times referring to the envelopes of the Savior's corpse. In Homer's Od. 7. 107, odovn indicates fine white linen of any size, sheet or sail.
 - d Σκευος τι ώς οθονην μεγαλην τεσσαρσιν, omit. by Ln., Tf.
- ^e Και τα θηρια is omitted by Ln., Tf., but according to Gb. it is a probable omission, and might be in the text.

Υπηρχε, third sing. imp. of ὑπαρχω, to begin, to start, to arise or spring up. Hom. Od. 24-286. Arch. Cho. 1068. Dem. 408. 22. The whole scene represents a new creation, springing into life.

It is remarkable that Wiclif, Tyndale, Cranmer, Geneva, and Rheims, as well as the common version, omit the article four times occurring in this verse. So do Murdock, Wak., Wes.

and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

13 And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat.

14 But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean.

15 And the voice spake unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common.

16 This was done thrice: and the vessel was received up again into heaven.

17 Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean, behold, GREEK TEXT.

τὰ θηρία καὶ τὰ έρπετὰ καὶ τὰ πετεινα τοῦ οὐρανοῦ. 13 καὶ ἐνένετο φωνή προς αύτον, 'Αναστάς, Πέτρε, θῦσον καὶ φάγε. δὲ Πέτρος εἶπε, Μηδαμῶς, κύριε ότι οὐδέποτε ἔφαγον πᾶν κοινὸν η ἀκάθαρτου. 15 Καὶ φωνη πάλιν έκ δευτέρου πρός αύτον, "Α ό Θεος εκαθάρισε, σὺ μὴ κοίνου. 16 Tοῦτο δὲ ἐγένετο ἐπὶ τρίς \cdot καὶ πάλιν ἀνελήφθη τὸ σκεῦος εἰς τον ούρανόν.

17 'Ως δὲ ἐν ἐαυτῷ διηπόρει ὁ Πέτρος, τί αν είη το δραμα ο είδε, the men which were sent from καὶ ἰδοῦ, οἱ ἄνδρες οἱ ἀπεσταλμέ- behold the men who were sent

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reptiles of the earth, and birds of the air. And there 13 came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill and eat. But Peter 14 said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten gany thing common or unclean. And the 15 hvoice said to him again, a second time; What God has cleansed, that call not you, common. This was idone 16 thrice, and the vessel was taken up again into the heaven.

Now as Peter was 'ponder- 17 ing in himself, what the vision which he had seen could mean;

and Booth. Penn twice omits it. Thompson gives it three | was done thrice, in our idiom, exact to the text -- Ene toes, times, omitting it only once. It should have been either always omitted or always given, so far as any relevant reason appears.

f Αναστας, ανιστημι is a favorite with Luke. He employs it 72 times in his writings, while all other writers in the N. T. employ it only thirty times. It is idiomatically, with him, of the effect of an imperative, when coupled with an imperative, as, having arisen, Peter, slay, and eat. Peter, rise: slay, and eat. It is so translated, arise, or rise, by all the translators from Wielif to Thompson and Boothroyd.

Γινομαι is of great latitude in sense and currency—do, make, be, fulfill, come, come to pass, happen, seem, arise, become, befall, Ferform, wax, being assembled, continue, marry, &c., &c. It takes its meaning from its context, or contact with other words. It seems to be a very general representative of its associates, especially in N. T. currency. Its special meaning is in its special context. Its latitude is equal to our auxiliary be, though not its proper representative. In this passage it seems more contextual to understand eyevero, than ειπε, because the voice had not before said, "what God cleansed," but "arise, slay, and eat." It now says, συ μη κοινου-" Do not you account impure," Bloomfield; "as common," Rob. Hesych.: μη κοινον μη ακαθαρτον λεγε. It also means to pollute, profane, or desecrate, with an accusative, as in Acts 21:28.

- ^g Παν, quodvis, any thing whatever, impure or unclean.
- h Και φωνη παλιν, literally a voice, as before, yet, with the exception of the Rheims, Wakefield, Thompson, and Murdock, all English versions make it definite on the assumption that it was the same voice before heard. This is our idiom in such

to or into three, exactly represented. According to others. "reproduced three times," but this is not the fact, for this would be equal to four editions of it, the first reproduction being the second copy.

Eυθυς is, by Ln., Tf. substituted for παλιν, immediately, for again. So Alf.: εις τον ουρανον, into the heaven.

 $\Omega_{\mathcal{E}} \delta_{\mathcal{E}}$,—commencing a new paragraph—literally, now as, tantamount to while; because it was a continuous exercise. not a transient act of his mind.

- 1 Διαπορεω, twice rendered perplexed, and three times in this book, doubt and doubted, com. ver. which is its whole currency in this book. Doubt, and doubting imply deliberation. Διαπορεω is represented by hæsito, ambigo, sed significat interrogare seu inquirere cum dubitantione atque admiratione. Lorin in Acts 2:12. Critica Sacra. Vox hæc Lucæ attonitam quandam admiratione significat. Acts 2:12;5:24; 10:17. Grotius in loco, Crit. Sacra. We therefore prefer pondering, because of its generic sense, as covering the whole area of Luke's statement, and especially because he was in doubt as to the meaning of his vision.
- Απεσταλμενοι, part. perf. passive, exegetically those having been sent, but with us those who were sent, or those sent, fully indicate the fact of their previous mission, with regard to their present appearance. Επι τον πυλωνα, atrium vestibulum, porta, janua, with one exception always rendered gate in N. T. com. ver., once only porch. Πυλη, its radix, is always in N. T. rendered gate. In classic Greek, a gate-way, a gatetower, or a gate-house. Poly. 4. 18. 2. Luc. Hipp. 5 &c. Luc. Nigrin. 23, an antechamber. The 12 gate-houses of the apocalyptic city for the accommodation of the angelic porters, is a representative idea. In Acts 12:10 we have την θυραν του 1 Τουτο δε εγενετο επι τρις, now this happened thrice; or πυλωνος, the door of the gate-house, the place of inquiry.

Cornelius had made inquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate,

18 And called, and asked whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there.

19 While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee.

thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them.

21 Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what is the cause wherefore ye are come?

22 And they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one that feareth God, and of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from God by an holy angel to send for thee into his house, and to hear words of thee.

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νοι ἀπὸ τοῦ Κορνηλίου, διερωτήσαντες την οικίαν Σίμωνος, έπέστησαν έπὶ τὸν πυλώνα· 18 καὶ φωνήσαντες έπυνθάνοντο, εί Σίμων ὁ ἐπικαλούμενος Πέτρος ένθάδε ξενίζεται. 19 Τοῦ δὲ Πέτρου ένθυμουμένου περὶ τοῦ ὁράματος, εἶπεν αὐτῷ τὸ Πνεῦμα, 'Ιδού, ἄνδρες τρείς ζητοῦσί σε· 20 Arise therefore, and get 20 άλλα άναστας κατάβηθι, καὶ πορεύου σύν αύτοις, μηδέν διακρινόμενος διότι ένω απέσταλκα αὐτούς. 21 Καταβάς δὲ Πέτρος προς τους άνδρας τους άπεσταλμένους ἀπὸ τοῦ Κορηνλίου πρὸς αὐτὸν, εἶπεν, Ἰδοὺ, έγώ εἰμι ὃν ζητείτε τίς ή αἰτία δι ην πάρε- $\sigma \tau \epsilon$: 22 oi $\delta \epsilon \epsilon i \pi o \nu$, $K o \rho \nu \eta \lambda i o s$ έκατοντάρχης, άνηρ δίκαιος καὶ φοβούμενος τον Θεον, μαρτυρούμενός τε ύπὸ ὅλου τοῦ ἔθνους των Ιουδαίων, έχρηματίσθη ύπὸ άγγέλου άγίου, μεταπέμψασθαί σε είς τὸν οἶκον αύτοῦ, καὶ ἀκοῦ-23 Then called he them in, $\sigma \alpha i \dot{\rho} \dot{\eta} \mu \alpha \tau \alpha \pi \alpha \rho \dot{\alpha} \sigma o \hat{v}$. ²³ $E i \sigma \kappa \alpha$ - of you. Then, calling them 23

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from Cornelius, having inquired out Simon's house, stood at the gate, and calling, 18 they asked, whether Simon, surnamed "Peter, "was lodging there. While Peter othought 19 attentively of the vision, the Spirit said to him, Behold three men are pseeking you. Arise therefore, go down and 20 accompany them, doubting nothing, for I have sent them. 21 ^qThen Peter went down to the men, and said, Behold, I am he whom you are seeking. What is the reason for which you are come? And they said, Cor- 22 nelius, the centurion, a just man, and one who fears God, and of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was instructed from God, by a holy angel, to send for you into his house, and to hear words

This version would be fatal to popery, to all who read it, with an honest heart, in our vernacular, and in our opinion it would be a faithful expression of the original. And can there be, or should there be, a special law for translating any word in this book? Do not the context and the scope of the passage demand this? We may add, that Jesus may, in all probability, have alluded to the fact of his calling him stone,

of his confession, he called him Simon Stone-or, if any one prefer it. SIMON ROCK.

For to Cornelius, Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. have avra, to him. This appears preferable, merely because there is no other person introduced. Not was departed, but departed = $\alpha\pi\eta\lambda$ -

- " Ξενίζεται, is being entertained there; rather too formal, though in good keeping with modern usage-resides there, dwells there, is probably more apposite both to ancient and
- · For ενθυμουμενος Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. substitute διεθυμουμενου, carefully considering περι, about or concerning the
- P Tous απεσταλμενούς από Κορνηλίου προς αυτού, omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. Ζητουσι σε, pres. ind. act., are seeking thee. Τις ή αιτια δι ήν παρεστε; what is the motive through which you are approaching me? Airia, ratio, reason or motive.
 - $^{q} \Delta \varepsilon$, then, connecting the time and the speech.
- r Ovv, in this case, is more appositely represented by then. when he was known only by the name, Simon-In anticipation | Peter is not found in the approved text in this verse. It is

¹ Simon's house. It is here ouna.—See note t, below.

m Surnamed Peter. It depends on the translation of Matthew 16:18, what should be the translation of Petros here.-If Matthew 16:13-18 be translated, as in my judgment it ought to be, it would read as follows, v. 16-"And Simon Stone answered, and said, Thou art the Christ, the son of the living God.—"And Jesus answered and said to him, Happy are you, Simon, son of Jonas: for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I also say to you, that you are called a STONE, and on this ROCK I will build my church, and the gates of death, or the grave, shall not prevail against it." Then, in this case, it should be rendered, "Surnamed Rock."

morrow Peter went away with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him.

24 And the morrow after they entered into Cesarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and had called together his kinsmen and near friends.

25 And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped

26 But Peter took him up, saying, Stand up: I myself also am a man.

27 And as he talked with him. he went in, and found many that were come together.

28 And he said unto them, Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but God hath shewed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.

29 Therefore came I unto you without gainsaying, as soon as I was sent for: I ask therefore for what intent ye have sent for me?

30 And Cornelius said, Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and behold, $\pi\rho\sigma\epsilon\nu\chi\sigma\mu\epsilon\nu\sigma$ $\epsilon\nu$ $\tau\bar{\omega}$ $\sigma^{\prime}\kappa\omega$ $\mu\sigma\nu$

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and lodged them. And on the λεσάμενος οὖν αὐτοὺς εξένισε. $T\hat{\eta}$ δὲ ἐπαύριον ὁ Π έτρος ἐξ $\hat{\eta}$ λhetaε σύν αὐτοῖς, καί τινες τῶν άδελφων των από της 'Ιόππης συνηλθον αὐτῷ. 24 καὶ τῆ ἐπαύριον είσηλθον είς την Καισάρειαν ό δε Κορνήλιος ήν προσδοκών αύτους, συγκαλεσάμενος τους συγγενείς αύτου καὶ τοὺς ἀναγκαίους φίλους.

25 'Ως δὲ ἐγένετο εἰσελθεῖν τον Πέτρον, συναντήσας αὐτῷ ὁ Κορνήλιος, πεσών έπὶ τοὺς πόδας προσεκύνησεν. 26 ο δε Πέτρος αὐτὸν ήγειρε λέγων, 'Ανάκάγὼ αὐτὸς ἄνθρωπός 27 Καὶ συνομιλών αὐτώ είσηλθε, καὶ ευρίσκει συνεληλυθότας πολλούς, 28 έφη τε προς αύτους, Υμείς επίστασθε ώς άθέμιτον έστιν άνδρὶ Ἰουδαίφ κολλᾶσθαι ἢ προσέρχεσθαι άλλοφύλω καὶ έμοὶ ὁ Θεὸς έδειξε μηδένα κοινον ή ακάθαρτον λέγειν ἄνθρωπον· 29 διο καὶ άναντιρρήτως ήλθον μεταπεμφθείς. πυνθάνομαι οὖν, τίνι λόγφ μετεπέμψασθέ με; 30 Καὶ ὁ Κορνήλιος έφη, 'Απὸ τετάρτης ἡμέρας μέχρι ταύτης της ώρας ήμην νηστεύων, καὶ τὴν ἐννάτην ὧραν REVISED VERSION.

in, he entertained them. And on the next day Peter went with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied And on the next day, 24 him. he entered into Cæsarea: and Cornelius was waiting for them, having called together his kindred and intimate friends.

Now, as Peter was entering, 25 Cornelius met him, and falling down at his feet, he worshipped him. But Peter rais- 26 ed him up, saying, Stand up. I myself also am a man. And, 27 conversing with him, he went in and found many assembled.

And he said to them, You 28 well know it is unlawful for a man, who is a Jew, to associate with, or to approach one of another nation; and vet God has shewed to me that I should not call any man common or unclean. And there- 29 fore I came without objecting, as soon as I was sent for. I ask then, for what purpose you have sent for me.

And Cornelius said, Four 30 days ago, I was fasting till this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house,

εισχαλεσαμενος, then calling them in, he entertained them. Lodged them is not equal to exercise, from \(\xi\nu_{\infty} \xi\nu_{\infty} \), hospitio recipio.

- (Εισηλθεν not εισηλθον, Ln., Tf.), he entered into, etc., and avayuatous wilous, literally necessary friends. Littleton, in his celebrated Dictionary, expounds a necessarius, a particularly engaged person.
- · Oinos, oinia. These words frequently occur in the Christian Scriptures; both are translated, com. ver., house, household, home. Some late writers have assumed that ouros and Oracles to indicate one and the same house, or family. For

oma denote two distinct institutions. The former a greater or more respectable house than the latter. Such as a master's house, compared with the dwelling-place of his servants. The former, owos, as indicating a family of adults and infants; the latter, a family of servants, with or without infants. They contend that both in the Septuagint of the Old, and in the Greek of the New, this distinction in their use obtains. We have found no authority for this difference. On the contrary, we have found that both terms are used in the Christian

clothing,

31 And said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God.

32 Send therefore to Joppa, and call hither Simon, whose surname is Peter; he is lodged in the house of one Simon a tanner, by the sea-side: who, when he cometh, shall speak unto thee.

33 Immediately therefore I sent to thee; and thou hast well done that thou art come. Now therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.

34 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

35 But in every nation, he that feareth him and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.

36 The word which God sent $\delta \epsilon \kappa \tau \delta s$ $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \hat{\varphi} \epsilon \sigma \tau \iota$.

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a man stood before me in bright καὶ ἰδου, ἀνηρ ἔστη ἐνώπιον μου έν έσθητι λαμπρᾶ, 31 καί φησι, Κορνήλιε, είσηκούσθη σου ή προσευχή, καὶ αἱ έλεημοσύναι σου έμνήσθησαν ένώπιον τοῦ 32 $\pi \epsilon \mu \psi o \nu o \bar{\nu} \nu \epsilon i s' I o \pi$ πην, καὶ μετακάλεσαι Σίμωνα δς έπικαλείται Πέτρος ούτος ξενίζεται έν οἰκία Σίμονος βυρσέως παρὰ θάλασσαν δς παραγενόμενος λαλήσει σοι. 33 Έξαυτης οὖν ἔπεμψα πρός σε· σύ τε καλώς έποίησας παραγενόμενος. νῦν οὖν πάντες ἡμεῖς ἐνώπιον τοῦ Θεοῦ πάρεσμεν ἀκοῦσαι πάντα τὰ προστεταγμένα σοι ύπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ.

> 34 'Ανοίξας δε Πέτρος το στόμα $\epsilon i \pi \epsilon \nu$, $E \pi$ άληθείας καταλαμβάνομαι, ὅτι οὐκ ἔστι προσ- $\omega \pi o \lambda \dot{\eta} \pi \tau \eta s$ \dot{o} $\theta \dot{\epsilon} \dot{o} s$, 35 $\dot{a} \lambda \lambda'$ $\dot{\epsilon} \nu$ παντὶ ἔθνει ὁ φοβούμενος αὐτὸν έργαζόμενος δικαιοσύνην, 36 τον λόγον You

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and behold, a man stood before me, in bright apparel, and 31 said, Cornelius, your prayer is heard, and your alms are had in remembrance before God. Send, therefore, to Jop- 32 pa, and call here Simon, whose surname is Peter. He is entertained in the house of one Simon, a tanner, by the seashore; who, when he is come, will speak to you. Immedia- 33 tely, therefore, I sent to you, and you have done well that you have come. Now then, we are all here present before "God, to hear all things that are commanded you by God. Then Peter, vopening his 34 mouth, said, In *truth, I perceive that God is not a *respecter of persons; but, in 35 every nation, he that fears him, and works righteousness, is vacceptable to him. know the *message, 36

both an owos, and an owia.—Luke, in his Gospel, ch. 7:6, calls the centurion's house an ounca, and in v. 10 it is called an ouros. So of Jairus' house. In Luke 8:41 he calls it οικος, and again v. 51, he calls it οικια. Mark, in his Gospel, calls this house an owos, ch. 5:38, and Matthew calls it own, ch. 9:23. In the parable concerning a house divided against itself, recorded by Matthew, Mark, and Luke, in the two former it is called οικια, and by Luke it is called οικος, ch. 12: 39. But stronger still, the same house, in the same verse, is called both oixos and oixia, Luke 10:5. "Into whatever house you enter, say, Peace be to this house." We need not further expose the frailties of some critics, who in the present century have so largely written and justified their dispensation of Christian ordinances on the presumption that these two words represent two distinct households.

- " For Ocov, regarded as more probable by Griesbach, Lachmann prefers xvoiov as the more probable reading. Either of them is equal in authority. Τα προστεταγμενα, part. perf. pass., the things which have been prescribed, or commanded by God.

example, Paul calls the household, or family of Stephanas | This form is more explicit and direct, and dispenses with the conjunction and, which has no representative in the original.

- w Επ' αληθείας. Literally upon truth, as, "upon my word." But this is in bad taste among us. "Of a truth," is obsolete, far-fetched, and incongruous with ETL. Its more common representatives in our language are in, on, upon. In truth. eπ αληθειας, is peculiar to Luke in the N. T. In truth, is analogous to our, in fact. We prefer on all the premises, "in truth I perceive."
- * Προσωποληπτης, qui accepit personam. James 2: 9. προσωποληψια, faciei acceptio. Col. 3: 25. "The outward state or condition of men, i. e. country, sex, state of life, riches, wisdom, learning." Critica Sacra.
- y Δεκτος αυτώ, acceptable to him, Dodd., Thomp., Rheims; accepte to him, Wiclif; accepted by him, Wakefield, Wes., Penn, Boothr.; with him, Murd; acceptable to him. Hackett.
- * Το έημα, verbum dictum, factum, mandatum, sententia, sermo, res, negotium. Both in Hebrew and Greek, word, is used for, a thing, or matter, Crit. Sacra; res factum, manda-Then Peter ανοιξας το στομα, opening his mouth, said. tum, sermo, Rob.; things, Acts 5: 32 com. ver. Luke 1: 37;

unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all:)

which was published throughout all Judea, and began from Galipreached;

of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost ο Θεος Πνεύματι Αγίω καὶ δυ-

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ον απέστειλε τοις νίοις Ίσραηλ, ευαγγελιζόμενος ειρήνην δια 'Ιησοῦ Χριστοῦ, οὖτός ἐστι πάντων 37 That word, I say, ye know, κύριος. 37 ύμεις οίδατε το γενόμενον ρημα καθ' όλης της 'Ιουδαίας, άρξάμενον άπὸ τῆς Γαλιlee, after the baptism of John λαίας, μετὰ τὸ βάπτισμα ὁ ἐκήρυξεν Ίωάννες 38 Ίησοῦν τον 38 How God anointed Jesus από Ναζαρέτ, ώς έχρισεν αὐτον REVISED VERSION.

which he sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ, he is Lord of all; -- you know that 37 message which was published throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee, after the immersion which John preached; -concerning Jesus 38 of Nazareth; how God anointed him with the 'Holy Spirit

2:15-19; that message which he sent, Dodd. This I prefer to any other representative of δημα in this case. We have our messages from kings, and councils, and governments, and they are all δηματα, words of significance, and words of authority. Jesus is the messenger of the everlasting covenant, and the Gospel is the message of God to a world in rebellion. It is a message of peace, a word, or message of reconciliation, published not to Jews only, but to Jews and Gentiles.

- * Εχρισεν αυτον, christed, or anointed him, empowered him.
- b Πνευματι Άγιο και δυναμει, not with a Holy Spirit and a power, but with the Holy Spirit and power absolute. A holy spirit and a power are wholly indefinite, therefore incomprehensible. The history of Jesus Christ has been written, but the history of the Holy Spirit has never been written. The Holy Spirit represents not a spirit of God, nor an angel of God, but all Divinity, and Divinity too, in all its grandeur.

But it appears in numerous and various manifestations, in Creation, in Providence, in moral government, and in redemption. But all these, works one and the same Spirit. "By his Spirit he garnished the heavens, and formed the crooked serpent," or the milky way, Job 26:13. "Thou sendest forth thy Spirit and thou renewest the face of the earth," Ps. 104:30. But these he consummates by the winds of heaven. So by his word, the breath of the Lord, his Spirit quickens us.

Πνευμα Άγιον, in its anarthrous form, is found in the conception of Jesus, Matt. 1:18; 1:20. Again in his promised baptism in πνευματι και πυρι, Matt. 3:11. He also cast out demons πνευματι Θεου, Matt. 14: 28, etc., etc. In the triune manifestation of God there is a Father, a Son, and a Holy Spirit, and these are, essentially, necessarily, and absolutely, Divine. As there are no degrees in absolute humanity, so are there none in absolute Divinity. These are the elements of all true criticism and interpretation of the oracles of inspiration on this most mysterious and Divine theme, as we conceive of them.

Πνευματι Άγιφ. See ch. 1:2, note e. To our previous remarks on this subject we would add as further exegetical and confirmatory:

In this Book of Acts we find IIvevua Aylor twenty-two times. and in the whole Christian Scriptures ninety-two times.—The Book of Acts is, therefore, emphatically the book of the dispensation of the Holy Spirit. It is ninety times translated in the common version of the Christian Scriptures Holy Ghost, and twice Holy Spirit. It should be uniformly Holy Spirit. Luke, in his Gospel, introduces it twelve times—while, in all the other historical books of N. T., it is found only fourteen times. Matthew, in his Gospel, introduces him, and that, too, in reference to the creation, or generation and baptism of Jesus, in the anarthrous form, ch. 1:18, 20; 3:11. So, also, Mark in his Gospel, ch. 1:8. But after this, in the absence of Ayiov, they both prefix the article, and thus he, who is first introduced as Πνευμα Άγιον, is immediately designated το πνευμα.

Luke also, first introduces him Hvevua Aylov, ch. 1:15, and, again, in v. 35, with regard to Christ's conception, he appears as Πνευμα Άγιον, and, again, in reference to baptism, ch. 3:16. John the Baptist says of him, "he will baptize you in Holy Spirit and in fire".

And John, too, when he first introduces the Holy Spirit, and intimates his baptism, presents him in the same anarthrous form, ch. 1:33. So, all the Evangelists in their Gospels introduce him. And, in this Book of Apostolic Acts, when first introduced, both in giving instruction to the Apostles, and in reference to baptism, ch. 1:2,5; he is presented as Πνευμα

After being thus so systematically designated in reference to his birth, baptism, and mission, as simply and absolutely Huevμα Άγιον, he is occasionally, indeed often, being now well known, styled το πνευμα, το πνευμα Άγιον, and το πνευμα το Aylov. And all this in good taste, and in conformity to the Biographies and Histories of that era. It is, therefore, a gratuitous criticism to assume that Πνευμα Άγιον does not always indicate, in reference to this glorious personality, the same definite Divine personality into which, or into whose, name, equally with that of the Father and the Son, all Christians are immersed. We thank God that we can have the full

God was with him.

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and with power: who went about $|\nu \acute{\alpha} \mu \epsilon \iota$, $\delta s \delta \iota \hat{\eta} \lambda \theta \epsilon \nu \epsilon \dot{\nu} \epsilon \rho \gamma \epsilon \tau \hat{\omega} \nu \kappa \alpha i$ doing good, and healing all that ιώμενος πάντας τοὺς καταδυναwere oppressed of the devil; for στευομένους ύπὸ τοῦ διαβόλου, ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς ἦν μετ' αὐτοῦ· 39 καὶ devil; for God was with him.

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and with power; who went about, from place to place, doing good, and healing all that were oppressed by the

Christ, is the divinely-established designation of the Christian's Advocate and Sanctifier.

We may further say, on all our premises, that Πνευμα Άγιον is nowhere in Holy Writ used as applicable to any Christian man, however sanctified and adopted into the family of God. It is an appropriated name—as much as Jesus is in the New Testament, or as Joshua was in the Old. We have many baptists now-a-days, but no John the Baptist. The Hebrews had many Christs of the house of David and of the house of Aaron; but now both Jews and Gentiles have but One Christ; —and, therefore, he is the Christ—the only Christ of God, emphatically, the Lord's anointed.

Again, and finally on this topic; -We are never said in the Christian Scriptures to be baptized in the Holy Spirit, but uniformly in Holy Spirit. We have three baptisms set before us in the Christian oracles:-a baptism in water, in spirit, and in fire. They are in the Greek Scriptures uniformly anarthrous, and not in the water, in the fire, in the Spirit. We may be baptized in Holy Spirit, in water, or in fire; but not in a Holy Spirit, in a water, or in a fire.

Again, every person is said to be baptized into something as well as in something. Hence the Apostolic commission reads-immerse them into the name; not in the name of the Theiotes or Godhead-into "the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." This formula is pregnant with exalted conceptions of a special relation to the Father as now our Father; to the Son as our kinsman Redeemer; and to the Holy Spirit as our Advocate with the Father through the dignity and merit of the Lord Jesus.

To be immersed in fire is rather the symbol of destruction, It is, indeed, a symbol of purification of metals, but not of persons. To a promiscuous audience, it may be said, the obedient will be purified and the disobedient consumed. Hence the choice of two baptisms—obey and be purified, disobey and be consumed.

It has been noted that the most sublime operations of the Godhead have been ascribed to the anarthrous Huevha Ayrov. It was the Holy Spirit-or, according to Matthew, Holy Spirit (Πνευμα Άγιον) that created the body of Jesus-ευρεθη εν γαστοι εχουσα εκ Πνευματος Άγιου. She was pregnant by

assurance of understanding, that Huevua Ayiov, like Jesus | "that conceived in her was by Huevuatos Ayiov". And Jesus, too, it is affirmed by John, will immerse in Holy Spirit or in Holy Spirit and in fire-not in the Holy Spirit and in the fire. He has also promised to give a Holy Spirit, but not the Holy Spirit, to them that ask him. Appears it not then, that $II\nu \varepsilon v$ μα Άγιον and το Πνευμα το Άγιον, and το Άγιον Ηνευμα are in the Christian currency, like the currency—δ Ιησους, Ιησους Χριστος, and δ Ιησους δ Χριστος! We have in Mark 1:1, Ιησου Χριστου νέου του Θεου; but when a full confession of faith, the most approved by him, was expressed by Peter, (Matt. 16: 16,) it is in these words: Du ei o Xoioros, o vios του Θεου του ζωντος. Here we find in one affirmation the article four times, once for every predicate of the Saviour. The Christ the Son of the God—the Living one.

> Hence a question arises whether, at any time, or in any case, Πνευμα Άγιον does not represent all that is indicated by το Πνευμα το Άγιον personally and officially contemplated, especially when this Divine agent is referred to; or whether any personal spirit, angelic or human, is ever represented by Πνευμα Άγιον, in any passage in the Christian Scriptures.

> To settle this question, another may be propounded. Is there not evidence, full and satisfactory, that the agent that is by one apostle named Πνευμα Άγιον is by the same apostle named το Πνευμα το Άγιον, while speaking on the same subject? Paul to the Corinthians, in his memorable dissertation on spiritual gifts and on the Spirit, whence they emanate, 1st Epistle, ch. 12, thus speaks: περι πνευματικών—Concerning spirituals—on spiritual gifts, states, as prefatory, that no one can say that Jesus is Lord, but by Πνευματι Άγιφ-by a Holy Spirit, or by Holy Spirit, anarthrous.

But this anarthrous Holy Spirit, almost in the same breath becomes to de auto avevua-one and the same Spirit, just as there is o de avros evolos, and o de avros Oeos, one and the same God; and yet this to auto auto autua is first introduced Πνευμα Άγιον-εν Πνευματι Άγιω! But if this do not give full satisfaction to the most curious, we have another fact of paramount authority, viz.: that which is ascribed by Paul to IIvevua Ayiov, anarthrous, is by him, again, ascribed to to Πνευμα το Άγιον. 1 Cor. 12: 3. "No one can say that Jesus is Lord, but by Πνευματι Άγιφ." This, although anarthrous, is construed by the Holy Spirit-but literally by Holy Spirit. But logically, as well as grammatically, he reasons thus: There are three διαιφεσεις—one class of gifts, one class of services, and one class of operations. We may admit, if any one calls for it, that there are classes of gifts or offices, classes of services, and classes of operations, subjectively and objectively contemplated. But there is—"το δε αυτο πνευμα", and there is—" ὁ αυτος Holy Spirit, not by a Holy Spirit. Again it is affirmed, v. 20, woose", and there is -" & autos Ocos". Three Divine agents,

all things which he did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree:

40 Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him

openly;

- 41 Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead.
- 42 And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead.
- 43 To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.
- 44 While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.
- 45 And they of the circumcision which believed, were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.

46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter,

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39 And we are witnesses of $|\dot{\eta}\mu\epsilon\hat{i}s|$ $\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\mu\epsilon\nu$ $\mu\dot{\alpha}\rho\tau\nu\rho\epsilon s$ $\pi\dot{\alpha}\nu\tau\omega\nu$ $\dot{\omega}\nu$ έποίησεν έν τε τῆ χώρα τῶν 'Ιουδαίων καὶ ἐν Ἱερουσαλήμο ον άνείλον κρεμάσαντες έπὶ ξύλου. ⁴⁰ τοῦτον ὁ Θεὸς ἤγειρε τῆ τρίτη ήμέρα, καὶ έδωκεν αὐτὸν έμφανη γενέσθαι 41 ού παντὶ τῷ λαῷ, άλλα μάρτυσι τοίς προκεχειροτονημένοις ύπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἡμῖν, οίτινες συνεφάγομεν καὶ συνεπίομεν αὐτῷ, μετὰ τὸ ἀναστῆναι αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν 42 καὶ παρήγγειλεν ήμιν κηρύξαι τῷ λαῷ, καὶ διαμαρτύρασθαι, ὅτι αὐτός ἐστιν ο ώρισμένος ύπο του Θεού κριτής ζώντων καὶ νεκρῶν. 43 τούτω πάντες οἱ προφηται μαρτυροῦσιν, ἄφεσιν άμαρτιῶν λαβείν διὰ τοῦ ὀνόματος αὐτοῦ πάντα τὸν πιστεύοντα είς αὐτόν. λαλουντος του Πέτρου τὰ ρήματα ταῦτα, ἐπέπεσε τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ Αγιον ἐπὶ πάντας τοὺς ἀκούοντας τὸν λόγον. 45 καὶ ἐξέστησαν οἱ ἐκ περιτομῆς πιστοὶ ὅσοι συνηλθον τῷ Πέτρω, ὅτι καὶ ἐπὶ τὰ ἔθνη ἡ δωρεὰ τοῦ Αγίου Πνεύματος έκκέχυται 46 ήκουον γαρ αύτων λαλούντων γλώσσαις, καὶ μεγαλυνόντων τον Θεόν. 47 Can any man forbid water, τότε ἀπεκρίθη ὁ Πέτρος, 47 Μήτι fy God. Then Peter answer- 47

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And we are witnesses of all 39 things which he did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew, hanging him on a tree. Him 40 God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; not 41 to all the people, but to witnesses before chosen by God, even to us who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he com- 42 manded us to cannounce to the people, and to testify that it is he himself who is ordained by God, to be the judge of the living and the dead. To him 43 all the prophets testify, that whoever believes in him shall, through his name, receive remission of sins. While 44 Peter was yet speaking these words, the bHoly Spirit fell on all those who heard the word. And those of the circumci- 45 sion, who believed, as many as came with Peter, were astonished because that on the Gentiles also, the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out. For they heard them speak 46 with other dtongues, and magni-

bracing the personalities of Jehovah—in the Father, in the Son, and in the Holy Spirit, or the Holy Guest of the Christian temple. As for the definitive titles of any one of these Divine personalities, or operations, we should not be hypercritical. The diction of the Spirit is all sufficient, and alone sufficient, for the least and the greatest head or heart in all the ages of the In one sentence Πνευμα Άγιον is tantamount to το Πνευμα—as reign of grace. And hence, without any speculative theology | ô Oeos is to Jehovah.

three Divine functions, and three Divine operations-em- or Christology, that which, by one Christian writer under supernatural guidance, is ascribed sometimes to πνευμα, is again ascribed to το πνευμα by himself; and again by others to Πνευμα Άγιον—and to το Άγιον Πνευμα—and to make it superlative in some cases, το Πνευμα το Άγιον, which caps the climax of grammatical precision and of exegetical development.

[·] Κηρυξαι και διαμαρτυρασθαι, to herald, or to announce and attest to the people, to proclaim and to testify that it is the ETEQUIS, before employed, is here implied and should be he who is ordained. Ωρισμένος, ώριζω, determined, ordained. declared, such are its representatives in com. ver He is both appointed and declared to be the judge of all.

d Thwooais, not in one tongue, but in tongues, consequently supplied. It is, indeed, more than logically implied, for it is intimated in the words, τοτε απεκριθη ὁ Πετρος, then Peter responded, or answered—their inquiries of course.

that these should not be baptized. which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?

48 And he commanded them. to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

CHAP. XI.

And the apostles and brethren that were in Judea, heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God.

- 2 And when Peter was come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision contended with him,
- 3 Saying, Thou wentest in to men uncircumcised, and lidst eat with them.
- 4 But Peter rehearsed the matter from the beginning, and expounded it by order unto them, saying,

5 I was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision, A certain vessel descend,

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τὸ ὕδωρ κωλῦσαι δύναταί τις τοῦ μή βαπτισθήναι τούτους, οίτινες τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ Αγιον έλαβον καθως καὶ ήμεῖς, 48 προσέταξέ τε αὐτοὺς βαπτισθηναι ἐν τῷ ονόματι τοῦ Κυρίου. τότε ήρωτησαν αὐτὸν ἐπιμεῖναι ἡμέρας τινάς.

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ΗΚΟΥΣΑΝ δε οι απόστολοι καὶ οἱ ἀδελφοὶ οἱ ὄντες κατὰ την 'Ιουδαίαν, ὅτι καὶ τὰ ἔθνη έδέξαντο τὸν λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ. 2 καὶ ὅτε ἀνέβη Πέτρος εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα, διεκρίνοντο προς αὐτον οί έκ περιτομής, 3 λέγοντες, Ότι προς άνδρας άκροβυστίαν έχοντας είσηλθες, καὶ συνέφαγες αὐτοις. 4 'Αρξάμενος δε ο Πέτρος έξετίθετο αύτοις καθεξής λέγων, 5 $^{\prime}E\gamma\grave{\omega}$ ήμην έν πόλει $^{\prime}I\acute{o}\pi\pi\eta$ προσευχόμενος, καὶ είδον έν έκστάσει ὅραμα, καταβαῖνον σκεῦός as it had been a great sheet, let τι ως ὀθόνην μεγάλην, τέσσαρ- a great sheet, let down from

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ed. Can any man forbid the water, that these should not be immersed, who have 'received the Holy Spirit, as well as we? And he command- 48 ed them to be immersed sin the name of the Lord. Then they requested him to remain some days.

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AND the Apostles and breth- 1 ren, hthroughout Judea. heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. And 2 'when Peter went up into Jerusalem, they of the circumcision disputed with him, saying You associated with men who 3 were uncircumcised, and ate with them. But Peter re- 4 lated the matter from the beginning, and set it forth in order to them, saying, I was 5 in the city of Joppa, praying, and I saw, in a trance, a vision, something descend, like

withhold. To idag, the water, not water, indicative of preeminence. The com. ver. gives to this word, hinder, as well as to forbid, to withstand. The primary meaning given by Lidd. and Scott, and Rob., to cut short, indicates more than forbid. It implies not merely withholding, but hindering, or debarring water. True no Gentiles before had been admitted into the Church, nor were they looked for, or sought after. by the Jews, who had assumed that salvation belonged exclusively to them.

They had received, το Πνευμα το Άγιον, that same το Πνευμα το Άγιον of which he had spoken, and they had witnessed.

^ε Εν τω ονοματι, in the name, or by the authority of the Lord, he commanded them to be immersed. In our Xquotov is annexed by Ln., and possesses strong claims in the esteem of Griesbach. Εις το ονομα, and εν τω ονοματι are never substituted in Sacred, or Classic Literature, as synonyms. The authority by which any act is performed must never be confounded with the meaning, or intention of it.

h Κατα την Ιουδαιαν, "that were in Judea" com. ver. This

Κωλυσαι, forbid, hinder, not suffer, not permit, obstruct, | version might indicate some place in Judea, as εν Ιουδαια. But xara here ought to be represented by throughout, as it is found in com. ver. of Luke's Gospel, and in this book, as well as in classic Greek. In Luke's writings we find it so represented. In his Gospel 8:1, 4, 39; 23:5; 9:31, 42; 10:37; 24:5.

¹ Kai ότε, does not indicate "then, when," but, "and when, Peter went up, they of the circumcision". "Who were" is not in the text, and is redundant. "Thou wentest in," does not, in our style, represent the sense, as well as, you associated with. Associate is not found in King James' version of N. T. It was not then in fashion, occurring only twice in the old. But now, no term is more apposite to this and other passages in the New Testament.

¹ Dienouvovo, "contended with him," com. ver. This and Jude, v. 9, are the only places, in the Christian Scriptures, where this word is represented by contend. The Devil contended about the body of Moses. Disputed, is more apposite to questions of debate, and especially in such a category. We find it thus rendered, Rom. 14:1, applied to such cases, as "doubtful disputations."

ners; and it came even to me:

- 6 Upon the which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered. and saw four-footed beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the
- 7 And I heard a voice saving unto me, Arise, Peter; slay, and eat.
- 8 But I said, Not so, Lord: for nothing common or unclean hath at any time entered into my mouth.
- 9 But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common.

10 And this was done three times: and all were drawn up again into heaven.

11 And behold, immediately there were three men already come unto the house where I was, sent from Cesarea unto me.

12 And the Spirit bade me go with them. nothing doubting. Moreover, these six brethren accompanied me, and we entered into the man's house:

13 And he shewed us how he had seen an angel in his house, which stood and said unto him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter;

14 Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved.

15 And as I began to speak. the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning.

16 Then remembered I the έφ' ήμας έν άρχη.

GREEK TEXT.

down from heaven by four cor- σιν άρχαις καθιεμένην έκ τοῦ οὐρανού, καὶ ἦλθεν ἄγρις ἐμού· είς ην άτενίσας κατενόουν, καὶ είδον τὰ τετράποδα τῆς γῆς καὶ τὰ θηρία καὶ τὰ έρπετὰ καὶ τὰ πετεινά τοῦ ουρανοῦ. 7 ήκουσα δε φωνής λεγούσης μοι, 'Αναστάς, Πέτρε, θῦσον καὶ φάγε. 8 εἶπον δὲ, Μηδαμῶς, κύριε ὅτι παν κοινον η ακάθαρτον ούδέποτε εἰσῆλθεν είς τὸ στόμα μου. 9 άπεκρίθη δέ μοι φονή έκ δευτέρου έκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ, Α ὁ Θεὸς ἐκαθάρισε, σὰ μὴ κοίνου. 10 τοῦτο δὲ ἐγένετο ἐπὶ τρὶς, καὶ πάλιν ἀνεσπάσθη ἄπαντα εἰς τὸν ούρανόν. 11 καὶ ίδου, έξαυτης τρείς ἄνδρες ἐπέστησαν ἐπὶ τὴν οικίαν έν ή ήμην, απεσταλμένοι άπο Καισαρείας πρός με. 12 εἶπε δέ μοι τὸ πνεῦμα, συνελθεῖν αὐτοις, μηδεν διακρινόμενον. ήλθον δὲ σὺν ἔμοὶ καὶ οἱ ἐξ άδελφοὶ οὖτοι, καὶ εἰσήλθομεν εἰς τὸν οἶκον τοῦ ἀνδρὸς, 13 ἀπήγγειλέ τε ήμιν πως είδε τον άγγελον έν τῷ οἴκῳ αὑτοῦ σταθέντα καὶ εἰπόντα αὐτῷ, Απόστειλοι εἰς 'Ιόππην ἄνδρας, καὶ μετάπεμψαι Σίμωνα τον έπικαλούμενον Πέτρον, 14 δς λαλήσει ρήματα προς σε, έν οις σωθήση σύ και πας ό οἶκός σου. 15 ἐν δὲ τῷ ἄρξασθαί με λαλείν, επέπεσε το Πνεύμα τὸ Αγιον ἐπ' αὐτοὺς, ωσπερ καὶ

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heaven by four corners, and it came even to me. Upon which, 6 when I had rearnestly looked. I considered, and saw four-footed animals of the earth, and wild beasts, and reptiles, and birds of the air. And I heard a voice, 7 saying to me, Arise, Peter; kill and eat. But I said, not so, & Lord; for nothing common or unclean, has, at any time, entered into my mouth. But 9 the voice answered me again from heaven; What God has cleansed, that call not you And this was done 10 common. three times; and all were drawn up again into heaven. And behold, there were im- 11 mediately three men already come to the house where I was, sent from Cæsarea to me. And the Spirit bade me go 12 with them, doubting nothing. And, moreover, these six brethren accompanied me; and we entered into the man's house; and he told us, how 13 he had seen the "messenger in his house, who stood and said to him; "Send to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter, who will 14 tell you words, by which you and all your shouse shall be saved. And as I began to 15 speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them, as on us in the begin- 16 $\dot{\epsilon}\mu\nu\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\theta\eta\nu$ ning. Then I remembered 16

^{*} Arevious narevoove, I had earnestly looked, better than "fixed my eyes." Looking steadfastly, Wesley, Mur. Looked earnestly, Wakefield, Boothroyd. I fixed my eyes, Thompson.

¹ Απεχριθη, were it not that, in its whole currency, (two hundred and forty-seven times), it is represented by answer, question, or no question, we would have prefered the word, responded.

m Αποστειλον—ανδρας, "men", is omitted, or repudiated by Gr., Sch., Lach., and Tf., Bagster's Imp. Text.

ⁿ See Note on ch. 10:2. nn See Note w. p. 83.

Εν αρχη, fell on them as on us—them, of the Gentiles, and us, of the Jews-"as in the beginning." It is a logical inference from these words, that from the day of Pentecost, to the calling of the Gentiles, no similar display of the Spirit had

word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.

17 Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, what was I, that I could withstand God?

18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.

19 Now they which were scattered abroad upon the persecution that arose about Stephen, travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but unto the Jews only.

20 And some of them were μόνον Ἰοδαίοις.

GREEK TEXT.

δε του ρήματος Κυρίου, ως έλεγεν, Ίωάννης μεν έβάπτισεν ύδατι, ύμεις δε βαπτισθήσεσθε έν Πνεύματι 'Αγίω. 17 Ει οδυ την ζοην δωρεάν έδωκεν αὐτοῖς ὁ θεὸς ώς καὶ ἡμῖν, πιστεύσασιν έπὶ τὸν Κύριον Ἰησοῦν Χριστὸν, έγω δὲ τίς ήμην δυνατὸς κωλυσαι τον Θεόν: 18 'Ακούσαντες δέ ταῦτα ἡσύγασαν, καὶ ἐδόξαζον τον Θεον, λέγοντες, 'Αραγε καὶ τοις έθνεσιν ὁ Θεὸς τὴν μετάνοιαν έδωκεν είς (ωήν.

 $^{19}\,OI\,$ μὲν οὖν διασπαρέντες ἀπὸ της θλίψεως της γενομένης έπὶ Στεφάνω, διηλθον έως Φοινίκης καὶ Κύπρου καὶ 'Αντιοχείας, μηδενὶ λαλοῦντες τον λόγον εἰ μη tioch, speaking the word to

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the declaration of the Lord, how he said, John, indeed, immersed in water, but you shall be immersed in the Holy PSince, then, God 17 Spirit. gave them the same gift even as he did to us, when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; who was I that I could withstand God? When 18 they heard these things they were silent, and glorified 'God, saying, God, then, indeed, has also granted to the Gentiles the reformation to life.

Now they who were scat- 19 tered abroad, upon the persecution that arose about Stephen, travelled as far as Phenicia, and Cyprus, and An-20 ἦσαν δέ τινες none but Jews. And some 20

interval between the day of Pentecost, and the calling of the Gentiles, in Cæsarea, is put down, by our best Biblical scholars and commentators, as about seven or eight years. See the chronology of our most approved Polyglott Bibles. Adam Clark makes it some 11 or 12 years. Take the lowest figure. and the Holy Spirit, in its public manifestations of supernatural gifts, descended only twice-at the commencement of the reign of Christ among the Jews, A. D. 33 and among the Gentiles, A. D. 41. Now the Holy Spirit is given to them that believe, as the Holy Guest, to dwell in their hearts, as a sanctifier, and a comforter, or an advocate.

This scene in Cæsarea, and that in Jerusalem, are called—and they are the only scenes, that, in Holy Scripture, are calledthe Baptism, or immersion of the Holy Spirit. They spoke as fluently in foreign tongues, as in their vernacular. The display was sensible, visible.

- P Ei, if then, rather, since then. The premises necessarily conceded. The ione δωρεαν, the equal gift, is the same gift. The former is literal, the latter is more familiar and as truth-
- ^q Ισην δωρεαν πιστευσασιν, the same gift. It was only to hem that believed, indicating that only such are the temple f the Holy Spirit-the Holy Guest. His miraculous gifts were a sign to those that were out of the Church.
- r Azovoavtes, 1st aor. part., on hearing, they were silenthaving heard; ησυχασαν, they were quiet.
- Εδοξαζον, imp., were glorifying God; αραγε, perhaps then, God εδινεν has granted also to the nations την μετανοιαν εις ζωην. The reformation to life- not μεταμελεια, panitentia,

been given, else they would not have gone so far back. The | but μετανοια, resipiscentia, reformation, or returning to a right understanding = recovery. Suetonius, change of life.

> * E_{is} , ad, erga. towards, on to, changed to, into = $\varepsilon_{is} \zeta \omega \eta \nu$; on to, or into life. A state of mind changing the course of life, in order to life in its proper intent, enlargement, and enjoyment. God grants repentance, or the benefit of repentance into life.

> " The word, τον λογον. This formula now becomes a sort of technical term, indicative of the message, the last message of God to the world. It is called "the word of the kingdom"- "the word of life "-not the letter, or law, but the word, or gospel.

This 19th v. resumes the narrative, from the death of Stephen. The 8th, 9th, and 10th chapters, to the 19th verse of the 11th chap, constitute a digression. The 8th chapter gives an account of the conversion of the Samaritans, and the Ethiopian officer; the 9th gives an account of the conversion of Saul of Tarsus; the 10th the conversion of the Gentiles. The 11th to the 19th v. gives an account of Peter's visit to Jerusalem, and the explanation of his conduct in going to the Gentiles. Here, again, the history of the Acts of the Apostles is resumed, detailing their labors, trials, and success. Paul and Barnabas became prominent actors, and their proper labors engross the principal incidents recorded in this book. They commenced at Antioch, in Syria, to act in concert, under the sanction of a solemn ordination, and mission.

Tov loyov, the word. See ch. 1:1, note a, on loyos. The word, the message, the burthen of the prophets, all, or severally, indicate a special message from God-or from man-preceded by the article, in this book, it is specific -- the gospel, the word of reconciliation.

" "To none but Jews only." This is rather a vulgarism. Only,

men of Cyprus and Cyrene, which when they were come to Antioch, spake unto the Grecians, preaching the Lord Jesus.

21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.

22 Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem: and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch.

23 Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord.

24 For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost, and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.

25 Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul:

26 And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

GREEK TEXT.

έξ αὐτῶν ἄνδρες Κύπριοι καὶ Κυρηναίοι, οίτινες είσελθόντες είς Αντιόχειαν, έλαλουν προς τους Έλληνιστάς, εὐαγγελιζόμενοι τον Κύριον Ἰησοῦν. 21 καὶ ἦν χείρ κυρίου μετ' αύτῶν πολύς τε άριθμός πιστεύσας επέστρεψεν έπὶ τὸν κύριον 22 Ἡκούσθη δὲ ο λόγος είς τὰ ὧτα τῆς ἐκκλησίας της έν Ίεροσολύμοις περί αὐτῶν καὶ έξαπέστειλαν Βαρνάβαν διελθείν έως 'Αντιοχείας. 23 δς παραγενόμενος καὶ ἰδων την χάριν τοῦ Θεοῦ έχάρη, καὶ παρεκάλει πάντας τη προθέσει της καρδίας προσμένειν τῷ κυρίῳ. 24 ότι ἦν ἀνὴρ ἀγαθὼς καὶ πλήρης Πνεύματος Αγίου καὶ πί- $\sigma \tau \epsilon \omega s$. καὶ προσετέθη ὄχλος ίκανὸς τῷ κυριῳ. 25 Έξ $\hat{\eta}\lambda\theta\epsilon$ δ $\hat{\epsilon}$ είς Ταρσον ο Βαρνάβας άναζητησαι Σαύλον, 26 καὶ εύρων αὐτον ήγαγεν αύτον είς 'Αντιόχειαν. έγένετο δε αύτους ένιαυτον όλον συναχθηναι έν τη έκκλησία, καὶ διδάξαι ὄχλον ίκανον, χρηματίσαι τε πρῶτον ἐν ᾿Αντιοχεία τοὺς were called Christians first μαθητάς Χριστιανούς.

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of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, having come into Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, "preaching the gospel of the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was 21 with them, and a great number believed and *turned to the Lord. Then tidings of 22 these things came to the ears of the congregation which was in Jerusalem; and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go through to Antioch; who, when he came and beheld the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart, they should adhere to the Lord. For he was a good man, 24 and full of **the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great multitude was added to the Lord. Then Barnabas depart- 25 ed to Tarsus to seek Saul. And when he had found him, 26 he brought him to Antioch. And it came to pass that, during a whole year, they were assembled with the congregation, and taught a great mul-And the disciples titude. 27 ' E_{ν} in Antioch.

is wholly redundant. Either, "to Jews only", or, only to Jews, | security, a good while, long while, sore, sufficient, able, meet. is current English.

w Ευαγγελιζομενοι τον Κυοιον Ιησουν. Though Ευαγγελιζω occurs fifty-six times in N. T., it is only twice presented with a person for its burthen. The word is preached, the Gospel is preached, but Jesus is only preached twice, in the import of ευαγγελιζω. He is here preached the Lord, and in ch. 5: 42, he is preached the Christ. This is an eloquent fact, and gives to the two predicates of Jesus transcendant glory. He is the anointed Lord, and the Christed Jesus. He is the Lord, and the Christ of the Universe.

* Επεστρεψεν, turned over upon, cast themselves upon the ** See Note on chap. 13. v. 4. Lord.

* Και διδαξαι οχλον έκανον. Ίκανος, in com., ver., is represented by worthy, large, great, crough for, many, much, long, of a flourishing church, and the occasion of a name, even

In forty occurrences it has fourteen representatives. Of these, not one is equal to it. Sufficient, most nearly, in generic sense, represents it. Beza prefers dignus. We have a homely word, or phrase, which well represents it. We say of such a one "he has got", or received, "what he ought". It may be good, bad, or indifferent. It was suitable to him-that which he deserved. It was so in this case. He merited "a great multitude", and he got it.

a "The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch." The persecution commenced at the martyrdom of Stephen, and became the means of disseminating the gospel of the grace of God. A large and flourishing church in Antioch, was one of the fruits. The disciples, proving and maintaining that Jesus was the Christ, obtained from them the name of Christians first in Antioch, the capital of Syria, called after Antiochus Epiphanes, a monster of iniquity. It became the seat

prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch.

28 And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cesar.

29 Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judea.

30 Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

CHAP. XII.

Now about that time, Herod the king, stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the church.

2 And he killed James the

GREEK TEXT.

27 And in these days came ταύταις δε ταις ημέραις κατηλθον άπὸ Ἱεροσολύμων προφήται είς ²⁸ ἀναστὰς δὲ εἶς Αντιόχειαν. έξ αὐτῶν ὀνόματι "Αγαβος, ἐσήμανε διὰ τοῦ Πνεύματος, λιμον μέγαν μέλλειν έσεσθαι έφ' όλην την οἰκουμένην ὅστις καὶ ἐγένετο έπὶ Κλαυδίου Καίσαρος. ²⁹ τῶν δὲ μαθητῶν καθὼς ηὐπορείτό τις, ώρισαν έκαστος αὐτῶν είς διακονίαν πέμψαι τοῖς κατοικοῦσιν ἐν τῆ Ἰουδαία ἀδελφοῖς. ³⁰ δ καὶ ἐποίησαν, ἀποστείλαντες προς τους πρεσβυτέρους διά γειρὸς Βαρνάβα καὶ Σαύλου.

CHAP. XII.

ΚΑΤ' ἐκείνον δὲ τὸν καιρὸν έπέβαλεν Ἡρώδης ὁ βασιλεὺς τὰς χείρας κακῶσαί τινας τῶν 2 $\dot{a}\nu\epsilon\hat{\imath}\lambda\epsilon$ $\delta\hat{\epsilon}$ άπὸ τῆς ἐκκλησίας. brother of John with the sword. 'Ιάκωβον τον άδελφον 'Ιωάννου REVISED VERSION.

And in those days prophets 27 came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them, 28 named Agabus, having stood up bmade known through the Spirit that there would be a great famine throughout all the land, which occurred in the days of Claudius. Then 29 the disciples, every one, according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren that dwelt in Judea; which they also did; and sent 30 it to the Elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

CHAP. XII.

Now, about that time, He- 1 rod, the king, stretched forth his hands to persecute certain persons of the congregation. And he killed James, 2 the brother of John, swith the

popular when Luke wrote this book. His allusion to the origin of this name is an evidence of its then extended currency.

- b Aναστας, having stood up; εσημανε, made known, not merely, intimated.—Hack.
- Καισαρος, Cæsar. Is rejected by Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf. It is a historic fact that Claudius Cæsar, so called in Roman history, is the person here named. He was poisoned by his wife Agrippina, A.D. 54. Being born nine years before Jesus Christ; this event happened A. D. 45, which fact well synchronizes with the details of this book. Another Claudius sat on the same throne, born A.D. 246. He was a great military chieftain, and died A.D. 270. There having been two Claudiuses, one of German, and one of Gothic descent, may have occasioned the insertion in the margin, which finally crept into the text.
- d Των μαθητων, attracted into the genetive by τις. Instead of οί μαθηται καθως ηυπορειτο τις αυτων.—Mey., De Wette, Hack. Βαρναβα, Dor. Gen. 19:14; Luke 13:29; John 1:43. The disciples, in proportion as (τις) any one was prospered, determined, each of them. See 1 Cor. 16:2. Tis, while literally, any one, is tantamount in our day and currency to, every one. Still as vis, Acts 2:45, is, com. ver., every one, (yet in that case more pertinently, any one), so here, every one determined to send relief, according to his ability.

After a long critique on this word, Leigh, in his invaluable Critica Sacra, in allusion to this passage, says:-"Sæpius vero ad animi propositum, seu destinationem ac decretum transfertur. Acts 11:29 and 17:31". There is here no formal nom. case to ώρισαν. It is understood to be: "certain of the brethren", or every one of the brethren, in prosperous circumstances.

- · Κατ' εκεινον δε τον καιρον; δε, now, secundum, juxta, cum, καιρος, opportunitas; mature and seasonable time. Tempore enim venire rerum omnium est, inquit Cornicus. The Greeks make a difference between 200vos, time, and 20100s, season, if not always, generally; hence xaccos, opportunitas, mature and seasonable time. Solomon, as well as the Greeks, sometimes placed season and time in antithesis; "due season", Luke 12:42; Gal. 6:10; Heb. 11:15; Acts 24:25. Herod, it seems, judged this time of famine, and necessary contribution to the necessities of the poor brethren, a suitable season for him to persecute and oppress them. He laid hands upon the Christians to maltreat, as επεβαλεν τας χειρας intimates. And, seeing it to be accorov rois Iovdaiois, pleasing to the Jews, he seized Peter as a feast for them, and, having killed Peter with the sword, he intended to present to them another repast.
- f Kanow, to hurt, to harm, to vex, to treat evilly, to injure. With us, the word persecute, covers the cases here named.
 - ⁸ Μαχαιρα, being here anarthrous, would seem to sanction

- 3 And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. Then were the days of unleavened bread.
- 4 And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison. and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.

5 Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.

6 And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains; and the keepers before the door kept the prison.

7 And behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison; and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off

from his hands.

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μαχαίρα. 3 καὶ ίδων ὅτι ἀρεστόν έστι τοις Ίουδαίοις, προσέθετο συλλαβείν καὶ Πέτρον ήσαν δὲ ημέραι των άζύμων. 4 ον καὶ πιάσας έθετο είς φυλακήν, παραδούς τέσσαρσι τετραδίοις στρατιωτών φυλάσσειν αύτον, βουλόμενος μετά τὸ πάσχα άναγαγείν αὐτὸν τῷ λαῷ. δό μὲν οὖν Π έτρος έτηρεῖτο έν τ $\hat{\eta}$ φυλακ $\hat{\eta}$. προσευχή δε ήν έκτενής γινομένη ῦπὸ τῆς ἐκκλησίας πρὸς τὸν Θεὸν ύπερ αύτου.

6 Θτε δὲ ἔμελλεν αὐτὸν προά- γ ειν ὁ Hρώδης, τ $\hat{\eta}$ νυκτὶ ἐκείνη ἦν ὁ Π έτρος κοιμώμενος μεταξ \grave{v} δύο στρατιωτών, δεδέμενος άλύσεσι δυσὶ, φύλακές τε πρὸ τῆς θύρας έτηρουν την φυλακήν. ΄ καὶ ἰδοὺ, ἄγγελος κυρίου ἐπέστη, καὶ φῶς ἔλαμψεν έν τῷ οἰκήματι πατάξας δὲ τὴν πλευρὰν τοῦ Πέτρου, ήγειρεν αὐτὸν λέγων, 'Ανάστα έν τάχει. Καὶ έξέπεσον αὐτοῦ αἱ άλυσεις ἐκ τῶν

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sword. And because he saw 3 that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to seize Peter also. (And then were the days of the unleavened loaves.) And having appre- 4 hended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four *quaternions of soldiers, to guard him, intending, after the passover, to bring him forth to the people. Pe- 5 ter, therefore, was kept in prison, but rearnest prayer, without ceasing, was made by the congregation to God for him.

And when Herod would 6 have brought him forth, in that night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains; and keepers, before the door, guarded the prison. And behold a mes- 7 senger of the Lord stood near, and a light shone in the prison, and, striking Peter on the side, he raised him up, saying, rise up quickly. And his chains ufell off from his hands. 8 And the angel said unto γειρών. 8 εἶπέ τε ὁ ἄγγελος πρὸς And the messenger said to him, 8

a sword. But this is a special case, because "the article fails when the idea is general." He was slain by the sword; so in our usage we have "the gallows", "the Penitentiary", "the Work-House", not a gallows, a Penitentiary, a Work-House, as penal institutions. These are idiomatic formulas. See Hackett and others on this passage.

But we have in this context another such case:

h Ησαν δε ήμεραι των αζυμων, ad verbum, "now were days of the unleavened." But idiomatically Now, or, then, (as the case may be), were the days of unleavened bread

These are valuable examples, that supersede the ordinary rules of Greek syntax and etymology, when applied to Hebrew idioms; and in some very grave cases, such as the anarthrous Πνευμα, when qualified by άγιον. Though to us apparent anomalies, they are not to be disregarded, much less to be annihilated. Loaves, in the above case, is a more serious suppression than the article ή, in the case of μαχαιρα, though it indicates several instruments. Literally, And the days of the unleavened were.

- i $T\omega\nu$ a $\zeta\nu\mu\omega\nu$, of the unleavened. The article is here used to direct attention to the feast of unleavened bread, and should be translated: It was not in days of unleavened bread, in a general sense, but of the unleavened bread, in a specific
- ¹ Πιασας, aor. part., having seized; παραδους, part., having given him over to four detachments of four soldiers, φυλασσειν αυτον.
- k Τετραδιον, occurring but once in the Christian Scriptures, should be rendered according to Roman usage. A quaternion was a company of four soldiers. There were, therefore, sixteen soldiers on duty, four at each time, in turns, keeping,
- 1 Externs, intentus, assiduus. It is indicative of extended or protracted and earnest prayer. - Crit. Sacr. Hequ, Ln., Tf., Gb., prefer to ὑπερ.
- 11 Εξεπεσον-εκ των χειρων, not out of, but from his hands. They could not have fallen out of, unless he had held them in his hands. Xeio, in Greek currency, includes the whole forearm, or any part of it.

him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals: and so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.

- 9 And he went out, and followed him, and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision.
- 10 When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and forthwith the angel departed from him.
- 11 And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

12 And when he had considered the thing, he came to the house of Mary the mother of John, whose surname was Mark, where many were gathered together, praying.

13 And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damGREEK TEXT.

αύτον, Περίζωσαι, καὶ ὑπόδησαι τὰ σανδάλιά σου. Ἐποίησε δὲ ούτω. καὶ λέγει αὐτῶ Περιβαλοῦ τὸ ἱμάτιον σου, καὶ ἀκολού-9 Καὶ έξελθων ήκο- $\theta \epsilon \iota \mu o \iota$. λούθει αὐτῶ· καὶ οὐκ ἤδει ὅτι άληθές έστι το γινόμενον δια τοῦ άγγέλου, έδόκει δὲ ὅραμα βλέ-10 διελθόντες δὲ πρώτην φυλακήν καὶ δευτέραν, ἦλθον ἐπὶ την πύλην την σιδηράν, την φέρουσαν είς την πόλιν, ήτις αύτομάτη ήνοίχθη αὐτοῖς καὶ έξελθόντες προηλθον ρύμην μίαν, καὶ εὐθέως ἀπέστη ὁ ἄγγελος ἀπ΄ 11 καὶ ὁ Πέτρος γενόμεαύτοῦ. νος έν έαυτώ, εἶπε, Νῦν οἶδα άληθως ὅτι ἐξαπέστειλε κύριος τον άγγελον αύτου, και έξείλετό με έκ χειρος Ήρώδου καὶ πάσης της προσδοκίας τοῦ λαοῦ 12 συνιδών τε τῶν Ἰουδαίων. ηλθεν έπὶ την οἰκίαν Μαρίας της μητρος Ίωάννου του ἐπικαλουμένου Μάρκου, οδ ήσαν ίκανοί συνηθροισμένοι καὶ προσευχό-

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Gird yourself and bind on your sandals. And he did so. And he said to him, Cast your garment around you, and "follow me. And Peter went out and fol- 9 lowed him, and "had not "perceived that what was done by the messenger was preal, but thought that he saw a vision.

When they had passed the 10 first and the second watch, they came to the iron gate, that leads into the city; which opened spontaneously to them; and they went out, and passed on through one street. And forthwith the messenger departed from him. Then Peter, having come to 11 himself, said, Now I certainly know that the Lord has sent his messenger, and has delivered me out of the hands of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

And when he had consid- 12 ered the matter, he went to the house of Mary, the mother of John, whose surname was Mark, where many were assembled, praying. And when 13 13 Κρουσάντος δε τοῦ Πέτρου he knocked at the door of

m Aκολουθει, not go with me nor come with me, but follow me, such is its almost universal import.

n Και ουκ ηδει ότι αληθες, pluperfect, he had not perceived that the scene, through which he had passed, was real.

[·] Ουκ ηδει, " wist not," is obsolete; knew not, is its representative.

p $A\lambda\eta \vartheta \epsilon s$, literally true; here, more appositely to the case, it should be, real.

⁹ Πρωτην και δευτεραν, both are anarthrous, because, in such cases, it would be pleonastic. There could not be two first and two second watches, hence a first watch and a second watch, being stationed, all versions, ancient and moderal, refer to them as the first and the second.

^{*} Auromaton, automaton like, that is "of itself." The word spontaneously with us happily represents it. "Of its own accord," may be more familiar to most ears, but too peri phrastic.

It may be a matter wholly of taste, which is somewhat arbitrary, but so it is with me-"I certainly know," is more forcible, than I know certainly.

[&]quot; Now $(\delta \varepsilon)$ he—for row Heroov we read aurou, on the authority of Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf. And when he knocked at the door, etc. The Jugar tou nulwros-the door of the gate-way, Thomp.; the gate of the court, Murd.; the door of the gate, Penn, Wesley; entry door, Rheims, Tyndale, Cranmer. the door of the porch, Wakefield; the door of the outer gate. Dodd.

sel came to hearken, named Rhoda.

14 And when she knew Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and told how Peter stood before the gate.

15 And they said unto her, Thou art mad. But she constantly affirmed that it was even so. Then said they, It is his angel.

16 But Peter continued knocking. And when they had opened the door, and saw him, they were astonished.

17 But he beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go shew these things unto James, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went into another place.

18 Now as soon as it was day, there was no small stir among the soldiers, what was become of Peter.

19 And when Herod had sought for him, and found him not, he examined the keepers, and commanded that they should GREEK TEXT.

την θύραν τοῦ πυλώνος, προσηλθε παιδίσκη ύπακοῦσαι, ὀνόματι $P' \delta \delta \eta$ · 14 καὶ ἐπιγνοῦσα τὴν φωνήν του Πέτρου, ἀπὸ τῆς χαρᾶς οὐκ ἤνοιξε τὸν πυλῶνα, εἰσδραμοῦσα δὲ ἀπήγγειλεν ἐστᾶναι τον Πέτρον προ του πυλώνος. 15 οι δέ προς αύτην είπον, Μαίνη. 'Η δε διϊσχυρίζετο ούτως έχειν. οί δ' έλεγον, 'Ο άγγελος αὐτοῦ έστιν. 16 Ο δὲ Πέτρος ἐπέμενε κρούων ανοίξαντες δε είδον αύτον, καὶ έξέστησαν. 17 κατασείσας δὲ αὐτοῖς τῆ χειρὶ σιγᾶν, διηγήσατο αὐτοὶς πῶς ὁ κύριος αὐτὸν έξήγαγεν έκ τῆς φυλακῆς. εἶπε δὲ, ᾿Απαγγείλατε Ἰακώβω καὶ τοῖς ἀδελφοῖς ταῦτα. Καὶ έξελθων έπορεύθη είς έτερον τό- π ον. ¹⁸ Γ ενομένης δὲ ἡμέρας, ην τάραχος οὐκ ὀλίγος ἐν τοῖς στρατιώταις, τί ἄρα ὁ Πέτρος ἐγένετο. ¹⁹ Ἡρώδης δὲ ἐπιζητήσας αὐτὸν καὶ μὴ εύρων, ἀνακρίνας τους φύλακας, ἐκέλευσεν be put to death. And he went $\alpha \pi \alpha \chi \theta \hat{\eta} \nu \alpha i$ $\kappa \alpha \hat{\iota} \kappa \alpha \tau \epsilon \lambda \theta \hat{\omega} \nu$ $\alpha \pi \hat{\sigma}$ death. And he went from

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the gate, a maid servant, named Rhoda, went to hearken. And recognizing Peter's 14 voice, she did not open the gate, for gladness; but ran in and told them that Peter was standing before the gate. And 15 they said to her, You are crazy. But she confidently affirmed that it was even so. Then they said, It is his *messenger. But Peter continued 11 knocking. And when they had opened the door, and saw him, they were astonished. But he, beckoning to them 17 with the hand to be quiet, declared to them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go tell these things to James, and to the brethren. And he departed and went to another place.

Now, as soon as it was day, 18 there was no small stir among the soldiers, as to what had *become of Peter. And when 19 Herod had sought for him, and did not find him, he examined the keepers, and commanded that they should be put to

On weighing all that I have read and thought on the propriety of translation in general, and the word angel in particular, I feel a preponderance of reason and propriety, in favor of translating rather than of transferring words of

v Maινη, μαινομαι, you are crazy, 2d sing. pres., ind. 'H δε in those indicative of office in the Christian Church. The abuse of such terms in popular currency, is, with me, a preponderating argument. The ideal forms entertained of angels especially of their personalities, is an additional argument in their case. Coleridge says, "After much thought on the subject of angels as a divine kind of finite beings, I find no sufficing reason to hold it for a revealed doctrine, and assuredly it is no truth of philosophy, which, as I have elsewhere remarked, can conceive but three kinds-1st. The infinite reason; 2nd. The finite rational; and 3d. The finite irrational-that is, God, man, and beast. What, indeed, even for the vulgar, is, or can an archangel be, but a man with wings, better or worse, than the wingless species, according as the feathers are white or black? I would that the word had been translated instead of Anglicized in our English Bible." New Edition, Notes in Hackett: vol. 5, p. 125.

* It might be, in modern style, not a little agitation as to what Peter came to be. Too stiff and formal! Tagazos is well this class. This more especially obtains in this word, and represented by commotion, indicating both inquiry and alarm.

διζοχυρίζετο ούτως εχείν, but she pertinaciously continued to affirm that it was even so.

w His messenger, αγγελος. This word so often occurring in the Christian Scriptures, sometimes indicates a heavenly, and sometimes an earthly messenger. The notion that every one, especially every good man, has a guardian angel in constant attendance, is older than the N. T., and still cherished in many minds. In this place, it might be supposed to indicate a messenger sent by Peter, rather than Peter himself in person. But amongst the Jews, it was generally a cherished idea, that every good man had a guardian angel. Luke simply narrates, but comments not on the occasion. Neither shall we.

down from Judea to Cesarea, and there abode.

20 And Herod was highly displeased with them of Tyre and Sidon. But they came with one accord to him, and having made Blastus the king's chamberlain their friend, desired peace, because their country was nourished by the king's country.

21 And upon a set day, Herod arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration

unto them.

22 And the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a

god, and not of a man.

23 And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.

24 But the word of God grew

and multiplied.

25 And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled their ministry, and took with them John, whose surname was Mark.

CHAP. XIII.

Now there were in the church

GREEK TEXT.

της 'Ιουδαίας είς την Καισάρειαν Judea to Cæsarea, and abode διέτριβεν. 20 9 Ην δε ό Ηρώδης θυμομαχών Τυρίοις καὶ Σιδωνίοις ομοθυμαδον δέ παρήσαν πρὸς αὐτὸν, καὶ πείσαντες Βλάστον τὸν ἐπὶ του κοιτῶνος τοῦ βασιλέως, ήτουντο είρηνην, δια τὸ τρέφεσθαι αὐτῶν τὴν χώραν άπὸ της βασιλικής.

21 Τακτή δὲ ἡμέρα ὁ Ἡρώδης ένδυσάμενος έσθητα βασιλικήν, καὶ καθίσας έπὶ τοῦ βήματος, έδημηγόρει πρὸς αὐτούς. ²² ὁ δὲ δημος έπεφώνει, Θεού φωνη καί ούκ ἀνθρώπου. 23 παραχρημα δὲ έπάταξεν αὐτὸν ἄγγελος κυρίου, άνθ' ὧν οὐκ ἔδωκε την δόξαν τῷ Θεώ και γενόμενος σκωληκόβρωτος έξέψυξεν. 24 ὁ δὲ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ ηὔξανε καὶ ἐπληθύνετο. ²⁵ Βαρνάβας δὲ καὶ Σαῦλος ὑπέστρεψαν έξ 'Ιερουσαλέμ, πληρώσαντες την διακονίαν, συμπαραλαβόντες καὶ Ἰωάννην τὸν ἐπικληθέντα Μάρκον.

CHAP. XIII.

 $^{\circ}H\Sigma AN$ δέ τινες έν $^{\circ}A$ ντιοthat was at Antioch certain pro- χεία κατὰ τὴν οὖσαν ἐκκλησίαν gregation that existed in Anphets and teachers; as Barnabas, προφήται καὶ διδάσκαλοι, ὅ τε tioch, certain prophets and and Simeon that was called Ni- Βαρνάβας καὶ Συμεων ὁ καλού- teachers, as Barnabas and Sim-

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And Herod being enraged 20 at those of Tyre and Sidon, they came with one accord to him, and, having made Blastus, the king's chamberlain, their friend, desired peace; because their country was supported by the king's country. And, on an appointed day, 21 Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat on his throne, and made a speech to them. And 22 the people shouted, saying, It is the voice of a God, and not of a man. And immediately a 23 wmessenger of the Lord smote him because he did not give God the glory. And, having been eaten by worms, he expired.

But the word of God con- 24 tinued to grow, and extend. And Barnabas and Saul re- 25 turned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled their ministry, and took with them John, whose surname was Mark.

CHAP. XIII.

Now there were in the con- 1

F Θυμομαχων, part. pres., being enraged at them, &c. (5 | Tf., but by Gb. is regarded as a probable omission. It is, in- $H_{o\omega}\delta\eta s$, is rejected by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.)

deed, redundant, placed, as it is, in apposition to the words mooφηται και διδασκαλοι, now there were prophets and teachers.

In Antioch, κατα την ουσαν. Κατα is a preposition of great latitude, and is represented by the following words: according to, against, apart, at, aside, after, by, of, concerning, touching, in, in every, down. By the annexation of ly, it is used adverbially, as in the following cases: daily, for every day; Acts 3:2; 16:5; 17:11, 17; 19:9; privately, Gal. 2:2; charitably, Rom. 14:15, etc.

These prophets and teachers were in Antioch, not necessarily of Antioch; yet they were really of the Church, as the Ευαγγελιον κατα Ματθαιον, κατα Μαρκον, κατα Λουκαν, κατο

² And the word of God continued to grow ηυξανε. Και επληθυνετο, imp., pass., and was extended. It grew in the accession of the people, and extended over the territory, or among the people. The word of God. or the Gospel of God. was proclaimed and made progress .-- Murd. The word of God increased and multiplied .-- Penn, Thomp. "Grew and multiplied."-Tyndale, Cranmer, Geneva. Increased and multiplied. -Rheims. There are pleonasms in sacred as well as in common style. Aoyos, says Hackett, suggests the complex idea of doctrine and disciples, and the verbs, that following the idea into parts.

^{*} Certain prophets and teachers. Twes is rejected by Ln., Ιωαννην, were of them, as writers, or reporters.

- Saul, for the work whereunto I have called them.
- on them, they sent them away.

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ger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and μενος Νίγερ, και Λούκιος ὁ Κυ- eon, who is called Niger, and Manaen, which had been brought ρηναίος, Μαναήν τε Ἡρώδου τοῦ Lucius the Cyrenian, and Maup with Herod the tetrarch, and τετράρχου σύντροφος, καὶ Σαῦ- naen, who had been brought λος. 2 λειτουργούντων δὲ αὐτῶν up with Herod the Tetrarch, 2 As they ministered to the $\tau \hat{\varphi}$ $\kappa \nu \rho i \varphi$ $\kappa \alpha i \nu \eta \sigma \tau \epsilon \nu \acute{\nu} \nu \tau \omega \nu$, $\epsilon i \pi \epsilon$ and Saul. While they were 2 Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost το Πνεθμα το Αγιον, 'Αφορί- ministering to the Lord, and said, Separate me Barnabas and σατε δή μοι τόν τε Βαρνάβαν fasting, the Holy Spirit said, καὶ τον Σαῦλον είς το ἔργον ο deseparate for me Barnabas προσκέκλημαι αὐτούς. 3 And when they had fasted νηστεύσαντες καὶ προσευξάμε- I have called them. And when 3 and prayed, and laid their hands νοι, καὶ ἐπιθέντες τὰς χειρας αὐ- they had fasted, and prayed, $\tau o i s$, $\alpha \pi \epsilon \lambda v \sigma \alpha v$. $\frac{4}{2} O \hat{v} \tau o i \nu$ and laid their hands on them, 4 So they being sent forth by $|\vec{v}\vec{v}| = \hat{v}\vec{v}\vec{v}$ $|\vec{v}\vec{v}| = \hat{v}\vec{v}\vec{v}$ they sent them away. So they, 4

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³ $T \acute{o} \tau \epsilon$ and Saul to the work, for which the Holy Ghost, departed unto ματος του Αγίου, κατηλθον είς being sent forth by the Holy

But in what sense, of them? By election, or by the mission of Christ, or from Jerusalem, or any other place, is not to be inferred from the grammatical construction. This must be learned from history, not from grammar. Barnabas and Paul, we know, were not of Antioch, though, in their travels, they may is represented as Liturgy. The verb occurs but three times, have been there, once and again. And here, too, was Simeon the black, according to Adam Clark; "because", says he, "of skin or hair". But neither did the Greeks, nor do we Americans call any man black, or white, because of his hair, or his coat, but because of his skin. The Roman, Niger, is derived from the Greek, vexoos, mortuus, dead. We have not, in the Greek tongue, a common noun that radicates in, or that commences with, Neg, long vowel, or short. Hence negro has no representative in Greek; nor, indeed, in Latin. Niger, in Latin, μελαs, in Greek, and שהד (niger fuit), in Hebrew, represent the color called black; so Job 30: 30 says: "My skin is black upon me ".

- b Durgogos, una educatus. An infant nourished by the same mother, Hdt. 1:99; one coeval, and of the same origin, Id. 2:65. We have no phrase more apposite than, "Who had been brought up with Herod". or, was educated with Herod.
- · Δειτουργουντων δε αυτων τω κυριω. Cum ministrarent; id est cum munere suo fungerentur docendi, viz., ac prophetandi; nam Paulo ante, doctores ac prophetas fuisse dixerat: itaque Chrysostomus recte interpretatus est λειτουργουντων, ministrantibus; id est prædicantibus, Syrus et Arabs præcantibus; nom λειτουργείν, retulerunt ad publicas preces propter adjunctam jejunii mentionem.—Crit. Sac. This λειτουργειν refers exclusively to what is called public service; from leitos, public, and egyov, work. The Mass in Rome, and the Communion Service in England, are properly called, Liturgy. The performance of the ritual of public worship, is, however, its general scope and intent. For these the State, or body ecclesiastic, is responsible.

Casauban, of the highest reputation for sound learning in this, as in other departments of literature, affirms that this word λειτουργια properly indicates, and represents, all religious services; that private, or public prayer, or any religious service, and the substantive six times in the Christian Scriptures, represented by ministration, or service of a public character; sometimes, indeed, personal and private, 2 Cor. 9:12; Heb. 10:11. This public service, offered to the Lord, is ordained for our good and for his glory. It is, indeed, our honor and happiness to perform it in spirit and in truth.

- d Αφορισατε δη μοι, separate to me truly. In prosa δη semper postponitur et vertitur sane. It is redundant, Acts 13:2 In the Christian Scriptures $\delta \eta$ is found but six times. It is not represented at all in this case, Com. Ver. $\Delta \eta$ strengthens the command, ch. 15:36; Luke 2:15.—Hack.
- ε Επιθεντες preceded by νηστευσαντες και προσευξαμεvoi, aoristic participles—and having fasted, and prayed, and imposed hands on them, or, when they had fasted, and prayed, and laid their hands on them, are equally grammatical. The latter is, perhaps, more popular in the living age. Their is supplemental, and, to some minds, necessary as definitive of the cooperants in this work.
- f They sent them away, or, dismissed them. The former we prefer, because the latter is, in our forensic currency, to discard from office, to discontinue.—Webster.
- Εκπεμφθεντες ύπο του Πνευματος του Άγιου, by the Holy Spirit. This specific formula occurs in this book sixteen times, the formula to Aylov IIvevua seven times, and IIvevua Ayrov, anarthrous, or indefinite, occurs nineteen times, always indicative of the same Spirit, uniformly in capital initials, in Bagster's text. But, to classify them under the species of definite, and indefinite, of the former, in this single book, we have twenty-three occurrences, and of the latter nineteen, in all

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sailed to Cyprus.

Seleucia; and from thence they $|\tau \hat{\eta} \nu \rangle \Sigma \epsilon \lambda \epsilon \hat{\nu} \kappa \epsilon i \alpha \nu$, $\hat{\epsilon} \kappa \epsilon \hat{\nu} \hat{\nu} \epsilon \hat{\nu} \tau \epsilon \hat{\nu} \epsilon \hat{\nu}$ Spirit, went down into Seleu- $\pi \lambda \epsilon \nu \sigma \alpha \nu \epsilon i s \tau \dot{\eta} \nu K \dot{\nu} \pi \rho \rho \nu$. 5 καὶ cia; and thence they sailed into

Scriptures, we have, of the definite form, eighteen, and of the indefinite, thirty-two occurrences. We are, from a strict analysis of all these cases, confirmed in the judgment that $\Pi \nu \epsilon \nu \mu \alpha$ Ayeov, whether with, or without the article, uniformly represents the Holy Spirit. In the com. ver., it is represented, in the Christian Scriptures, by Holy Ghost, eighty-two times, and by Holy Spirit, only four times. Such is its history.

Both Theology, and Christology, have suffered no little from ultra, or hypercriticism on this third personality of Jehovah. New Testament usage is our safest index, or guide, in ascertaining the current value, or import of its most prominent terms, and forms of expression. Our special code, if we either need, or have such a code, is simply New Testament usage

Be it then noted, that every proper name found in the nominative, or, properly, the naming case, in the first chapter of Matthew, on its first presentation, is anarthrous, or indefinite. It reads: ΒΙΒΛΟΣ γενεσεως ΙΗΣΟΥ Χριστον, νίου Δαβιδ viov Αβρααμ. On certain theories these eight anarthrous nouns should be translated: A book of a generation of a Jesus, a Christ, a son of a David, a son of an Abraham.

To illustrate farther, a primordial principle, we shall select a prominent case of the same category, found in the Gospel history. It is that of Pontius Pilate, a public and an ostensible actor in the drama of Christian history. He first appears anarthrous, but is made definite by the addition of τω ήγεμονι, Pontius Pilate, the governor. So is Πνευμα, Matt. 1: 18-20, made definite by Aylov. Holy Spirit being known to the Jews as the Divine Spirit-the Spirit of God-it was enough for them to say, that Jesus was begotten by Holy Spirit. This was as much a personal name as Pontius Pilate, there being no other spirit so introduced in Jewish or Christian history. There never was but one Πνευμα Άγιον, since the apostasy of Adam, known, or recognized in the Patriarchal, or Jewish oracles. This is a highly important and suggestive fact.

But to return to Pilate. After his introduction he is seven times named by Matthew without his surname, Pontius, but being a conspicuous personage, a representative of Cesar, he has the article prefixed six of these seven times. It is only once omitted, and that is the appeal made to him by certain Pharisees, (Matt. 27: 62), instead of which they substitute zvoss in the vocative.

The same style occurs in Mark. He names him ten times in chap. 15. In nine of these occurrences, the article is prefixed, yet he never calls him governor. In the Acts, his name occurs, ch. 3:13; 4:27; 13:28, only once preceded by Pontius. Paul, too, names him once, 1 Tim. 6:13, when speaking of Christ's confession to, or before, Pontius Pilate.

Now, with, or without the article, does not Pilate, in every instance, indicate Governor Pilate? And, with equal, or supe- subjected to them.

forty-two occurrences. In all the other books of the Christian | rior assurance of faith, and of understanding, may we not affirm, (no particular designated spirit being in the premises), that the Spirit of God, or the Πνευμα του Θεου, the Πνευμα Άγιον, the το Πνευμα Άγιον, and the το Πνευμα το Άγιον, severally do, in Apostolic usage and currency, uniformly indicate one and the self-same Spirit of God, or the Holy Spirit?

> No logic, no metaphysics can, as we conceive, entrench upon this position, that will not shake the whole basis of the hitherto well-sustained and documented science of Hermeneutics in general, and of Bible Hermeneutics in particular.

> But, to some minds, there is a plausible objection, and. as far as known to us, but one objection found in Matthew 3:11. It is: αυτος ύμας βαπτισει εν Πνευματι Άγιω και πυρι. Being indefinite, it is presumed that it cannot indicate the Holy Spirit, personally contemplated, but officially, or in some special influence.

> Paul says: All our fathers were baptized into Moses in the Cloud, and in the Sea. And here some have assumed a parallelism between "in holy Spirit," and "in fire," that, as the Israelites were baptized into Moses, in the cloud, and in the sea, so Christians are immersed into Christ, in the Holy Spirit and in fire. This, to some minds, may appear plausible. But will the facts sustain, or justify it? We presume not. Fire is not a symbol of any spiritual blessing. On the contrary it is the symbol of a fearful calamity. And so our Lord interprets it. A baptism in fire is destruction. So the winnowing shovel separates the chaff from the wheat, that, while the latter is preserved in the garner, "the chaff is to be consumed in an unquenchable fire". Salvation, and damnation, are the alternatives presented by Jesus Christ. John baptized in water, into repentance. His commission reached no farther. But he warned those who repudiated his ministry, that his successor would baptize in the Holy Spirit, and in fire-not the same subjects in both, but one class in the Holy Spirit, afterwards to be poured out; and the other class, in the fire, afterwards to be poured out. No preacher, who preceded Jesus, ever preached of the baptism of fire-"the damnation of hell", of the burning lake, "the unquenchable fire", as did the Prophet whom John immersed in the Jordan. The sum of John's preaching was the last chapter of Malachi. He baptized his converts in the Jordan. and directed them to his Master, assuring them that, if they obeyed him, they should receive his Holy Spirit. If not, he would consume them in an unquenchable fire.

> There were then two immersions, in his eye: one for purification, and one for destruction—an immersion in spirit, and an immersion in fire. Both are figurative, or at least metaphorical. Neither spirit, nor fire, can be sprinkled upon us, nor can we be poured, or sprinkled into them. But there is life in Spirit, and destruction in fire, and we can be immersed in, or

- 5 And when they were at Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews. And they had also John to their minister.
- 6 And when they had gone through the isle unto Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Bar-jesus:
- 7 Which was with the deputy of the country, Sergius Paulus, a prudent man; who called for Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the word of God.
- 8 But Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withstood them, seeking to turn away the deputy from the faith.
- 9 Then Saul, (who also is called Paul,) filled with the Holy Ghost, set his eyes on him,

10 And said, O full of all sub-

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γενόμενοι έν Σαλαμίνι, κατήγγελλον τον λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐν ταίς συναγωγαίς των 'Ιουδαίων' είχον δὲ καὶ Ἰωάννην ὑπηρέτην. 6 διελθόντες δὲ τὴν νῆσον ἄχρι Πάφου, εδρόν τινα μάγον ψευδοπροφήτην 'Ιουδαίον, & όνομα Βαρίησους, 7 δς ην σύν τῷ ἀνθυπάτω Σεργίω Παύλω, ανδρί συνετώ. οὖτος προσκαλεσάμενος Βαρνάβαν καὶ Σαῦλον, ἐπεζήτησεν άκοῦσαι τὸν λόγον τοῦ 8 άνθίστατο δὲ αὐτοῖς 'Ελύμας, ὁ μάγος οὕτω γὰρ μεθερμηνεύεται τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ. ζητών διαστρέψαι τον άνθύπατον άπὸ τῆς πίστεως. 9 Σαῦλος δὲ, ό καὶ Παῦλος, πλησθεὶς Πνεύματος Αγίου, καὶ ἀτενίσας εἰς αὐτὸν 10 εἶπεν, Ω πλήρης πανtilty, and all mischief, thou child τος δόλου καὶ πάσης ράδιουργίας, full of all psubtilty and all

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Cyprus. And bwhen they were 5 in Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogue of the Jews, and they had also John as their attendant. And 6 when they had gone through the whole island as far as Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Bar-Jesuswho was with the proconsul 7 of the country, Sergius Paulus, *a prudent man; who called for Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the word of God. But 8 Elymas, the sorcerer, (for so is his name, being translated), opposed them, seeking to turn aside the proconsul from the faith. Then Saul, (also 9 called Paul), "filled with the "Holy Spirit, "having looked earnestly upon him, said, O 10

- Eccov, imp., were accustomed to have, we say: They had John &c.
- 1 Διελθοντες, add όλην, Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. Όλην την νησον, the whole Island of Paphos. Εύρον, they found, ανδοα, a certain man, μαγος. After εύρον, Ln. and Tf. add, ανδοα. "They found a certain magician, a Jew, named Barjesus."-Wakefield. "A certain sorcerer, a Jewish false prophet, whose name was Barjesus."--Penn. "A magian, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Barjesus."-Thomp. "A certain man, a sorcerer, a Jew, who was a false prophet, and whose name was Barsuma."-Murd., Syr. Admitting man into the text, Murdock's version is exact. It is, however, redundant, like men, brethren, and fathers, the two last implying, or containing the first.
- * Ανθυπατώ, deputy governor; συνετώ, a man of understanding, Wakef, Thomp., Wiseman, Mur.; a well informed man, Boothr. Prudent man, Penn. It is, in its four occurrences in com. vers. represented by, prudent. He appears to have been a person of good understanding, intelligent, with us; yet prudence being the attribute most conspicuous in this case, we give it preference.

- m Πλησθεις Πνευματος Άγιου. See note on v. 4.
- " Πνευματας Άγιου is, in the selected text of the Bagsters', a misprint. It should be here Ilvevuatos Aylov; we correct it gramatically, and find we are sustained in their Hexapla of
- · ATEVIOUS ELS AUTOV, having looked, or looked intensely upon him, said. Ραδιουργια is an άπαξ λεγομενον, found in this place only. We found of the same family, δαδιουργημα, Acts 18:14, there rendered, lewdness, here, mischief, maleficentia. Beza, Pisc. It indicates a propensity to perpetrate all sorts of wickedness. Crit. sac.
- P Δολου-δαδιουργητας. The former occurs twelve times in N. T., represented by subtilty, deceit, craft, guile; the latter seven times in N. T., com. ver.

Padiovoyias, found only in this place. Another member of this family occurs once; viz. ἐαδιουργημα, Acts 18:14, "wicked lewdness," com. ver. The former, dolos, denotes all kinds of dissimulation, Rom. 1: 29. exquisita diligentia ad insidiandum.—Basil, Calvin. He feigns one thing, and does another.— Crit. Sac. The latter, oadiovoyia, is represented by maleficentia, and, according to Beza and Piscator, denotes a person prepense to perpetrate any wicked deed.-Vatablus. Erasmus derives it from δαδιον, facile, and εργαζομαι, operor. One 1 Μεθερμηνευεται, pres. ind. pass., his name being translated, | who is easily induced to perpetrate crime.

h Teromeros, aor. part., equal to orres, and when they were or, being interpreted which, in com. ver. in its seven occurthere; or, being there, they announced; or, were announcing $\tau o \nu$ rences, is its representative. λογον του Θεου, the word of God, the word of the God.

of the devil, thou enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord?

11 And now behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thee, and thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.

12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine

of the Lord.

13 Now when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: And John departing from them, returned to Jerusalem.

14 But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the sabbathday, and sat down.

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υί διαβόλου, έχθρε πάσης δικαιοσύνης, ου παύση διαστρέφων τας όδους κυρίου τας εύθείας; 11 καὶ νῦν ἰδοὺ, χεὶρ τοῦ κυρίου έπὶ σὲ, καὶ έση τυφλὸς μὴ βλέπων τὸν ἥλιον ἄχρι καιροῦ. Παραχρημα δε έπέπεσεν έπ' αὐτὸν ἀχλὺς καὶ σκότος, καὶ περιάγων έζήται χειραγωγούς. 12 τότε ίδων ὁ ἀνθύπατος τὸ γεγονὸς ἐπίστευσεν, έκπλησσόμενος έπὶ τῆ διδαχή του κυρίου.

13 'Αναχθέντες δὲ ἀπὸ τῆς Πάφου οἱ περὶ τὸν Παῦλον, ἦλθον είς Πέργην της Παμφυλίας. 'Ιωάννης δὲ ἀποχωρήσας ἀπ' αὐτῶν, ὑπέστρεψεν εἰς Ἱεροσό-14 αὐτοὶ δὲ διελθόντες άπὸ τῆς Πέργης, παρεγένοντο είς 'Αντιόχειαν της Πισιδίας, καὶ είσελθόντες είς την συναγωγήν τῆ ἡμέρα τῶν σαββάτων, ἐκάθιREVISED VERSION.

mischief, ppson of the Devil, enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease to opervert the right ways of the Lord? And now behold the hand of 11 the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist, and a darkness; and he went about seeking some persons to lead him by the hands. Then 12 the proconsul, having seen what was done, believed, "being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

And, loosing from Paphos, 13 they who were with Paul came into Perga of Pamphilia; and John, departing from them, returned into Jeru-

But they themselves, de- 14 parting from Perga, came into Antioch of Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on wthe Sabbath day, and sat down. 15 And after the reading of σαν. 15 Μετὰ δὲ τὴν ἀνάγνωσιν And, after the reading of the 15

r Eυθειας, όδους. Eυθυς is found eight times in N. T., rendered both straight, and right, in com. vers. The former is figurative of the latter.

* XEIO TOV XVQIOV. Literally, a hand, a stroke, of the Lord = the Lord's hand is upon you. It is not a prayer for it, but a judgment announced. So the event declares. The article prefixed to both odovs and everias is awfully definitive—the ways of the Lord, THE RIGHT WAYS. Yet the judgment was limited αχοι καιρου, for a time, not perpetually.

¹ Iδων, part. aor., having seen. The governor, or deputy, believed επιστευσεν εκπλησσομενος, indicative of great moral force. In its fourteen occurrences in N. T. εκπλησσω is represented, in com. ver., by amaze and astonish. It is only used by Matt., Mark., and Luke. The cause, or instrument of this astonishment is found in τη διδαχη του χυριου. Διδαχη is found in N. T. twenty-nine times represented by doctrine, and once by "what is taught," Titus, 1:9. In the plural number only once found, and then it is human opinions, or human teachings. It is frequently mistranslated by the word doctrine, instead of second Sabbath after the first.

teaching. Instances, Matt. 7:28; 22:33; Mark 1:22; 4, 2; 12:38; Luke 4:32; Acts 2:42; Cor. 14:6; 2 Tim. 4:2; and probably in other passages. It is, in these cases, the act of teaching, and not the lesson taught.

^u Εκπλησσομένος επι τη διδαχη, Matt., Mark, and Luke, only use this term in the Christian Scriptures; ten times translated by astonished, twice by amazed. Struck with amazement, is perhaps, to most minds, most expressive of the mind, or the feelings of the proconsul, always translated deputy, com. ver. which is not specific, but generic. We, therefore, prefer pro-Governor.—Wakefield. Deputy-governor.—Penn. Proconsul.—Thomp., Wes., Murd., Dodd.; found only four times in this book.

Oi περι τον Παυλον, those about Paul; his pupils, or persons attending him, or upon him; ηλθον εις Περγην, came into

 T_{η} ήμερα των Σαββατων, literally, on the first of the Sabbaths. In Luke 13:14 and 14:5, we have the gen sing. In Acts 16:13, we have, as here, the gen. plural, most probably indicative of one of the consecrated weeks of the Jewish year. The same formula occurs, Acts 20:7, translated the first day of the week. See Cruden's Concordance on the

pp vie, anarthrous.

q Διαστρεφω always "pervert." or "perverse." Com. ver. Here, by circumlocution, "turn away, to pervert the mind. Diaστρεφων, part. pres. active. Perverting the right ways = the straight ways of the Lord.

rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying, Ye men and brethren, if ye have any word of exhortation for the people, say on.

16 Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with his hand, said, Men of Israel, and ve that fear God, give audience.

17 The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with an high arm brought he them out of it.

18 And about the time of forty years suffered he their manners in the wilderness.

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the law and the prophets, the τοῦ νόμου καὶ τῶν προφητῶν, άπέστειλαν οι άρχισυνάγωγοι προς αυτούς, λέγοντες, "Ανδρες άδελφοὶ, εἰ ἔστι λόγος ἐν ὑμῖν παρακλήσεως προς τον λαον, λέγετε. 16 'Αναστας δὲ Παῦλος. καὶ κατασείσας τῆ χειρὶ, εἶπεν, "Ανδρες 'Ισραηλίται, καὶ οί φοβούμενοι τον Θεον, ακούσατε. 17 ὁ Θεὸς τοῦ λαοῦ τούτου Ἰσραηλ έξελέξατο τοὺς πατέρας ήμῶν• καὶ τὸν λαὸν ΰψωσεν ἐν τῆ παροικία έν γη Αἰγύπτω, καὶ μετὰ βραχίονος ύψηλοῦ ἐχήγαγεν αὐτους έξ αὐτης. 18 καὶ ώς τεσσαρακονταετή χρόνον έτροποφόρηREVISED VERSION.

Law and the Prophets, the rulers of the synagogue sent to them, saying, Brethren, if you have a *word of exhortation for the people, speak

Then Paul stood up, and 16 waving with his hand, he said: Israelites, and you who fear God, hearken. The God 17 of this people chose our Fathers and exalted the people, when they adwelt as strangers bin the land of Egypt, and with a chigh arm he brought them out of it. And for dabout the 18 period of forty years he nour- $\sigma \epsilon \nu$ αὐτοὺς $\dot{\epsilon} \nu$ $\tau \hat{\eta}$ $\dot{\epsilon} \rho \dot{\eta} \mu \dot{\varphi}$. ¹⁹ καὶ ished them in the wilderness.

^a Εν τη παροικία, commoratio. This term, occurring twice in the N. T., indicates delay, or, sojourn in a country. Κατοιzια denotes fixed residence, so Crit. Sacra, and so classic use. It properly signifies the neighborhood of some persons. Significat proprie viciniam aliquorum hominum qui simul in aliquo loco cohabitant. Bucer on Ecclesiastic Government, p. 9.

b Εν γη Αιγυπτω, literally, in a land, in Egypt. Had the writer intended an Egyptian land, he could have found the adjective, Aiyuntios, occurring four times in this book of Acts, and once in Hebrews 11:29. This is the only instance, out of six cases, where the dative form is used. It is a pure Latinism. The dative is sustained by manuscripts, CDEGH, Chrysostom, Theophylact, and Œcumenius. The gen. has A.B. 13; 133, 137, and all ancient versions.

· Μετα βραχιονος ύψηλου, a high arm.—Murd., Penn. Uplifted arm.-Wes., Thomp., Wake., Dodd. This is more grand, and apropos.

d Ds. as, when, since, about, as soon as, after, while, when, &c., &c.; when, and while, in respect of time. are common representatives of $\omega_{\mathcal{E}_s}$ in com. ver., Acts 1:15. We have, in mount claims in the proposed revision.

and here, he endured their manners about the space of forty

^e Ετροποφορησεν is repudiated by Gb., Schott, and Tf., and ετροφοφορησεν substituted; he provided nourishment, or, bore them as a nurse. Deut. 1:31, 2 Mac. 7:27. So the Syriac, Sclavonic, Arabic, Copt. and Ethiopic. "Fed them in the wilderness."-Wake. He fed them.-Murd. Tremellius, than whom of his age we have few superior Biblical critics, says, Tooποφορεω, est instar nutricis ferre et educare. Τροποφοριζειν, dicitur cum melior pejores fert mores, quos tamen non approbat, ut bonus maritus cogitur mores uxoris morosæ ferre. Aretas, Crit. Sac. Doddrige says; "The Syriac renders this by a word which signifies to nourish, or, educate, so that Beza conjectures, they read, ετροφοφορησεν;" and while preferring the common reading, he admits that Dr. Hammond thinks this to have been the true reading. Compare Deut. 1:31 and Ezek. 16: 4, 5, 8. Most of the later editors prefer this word to ετροποφορησεν, "endured their manners." It is well attested and better suits the connection, since what the apostle would here bring to view, is not so much the forbearance of God to his people, as his interpositions in their behalf .-Hackett. "He nourished", this reading is better supported and agrees with fact, as well as with the conciliatory designs of the speaker .- Gr., Boothr. Some of the fathers also, with the Syriac, Arabic, Coptic, and Ethiopic, give this reading. This reading, says Adam Clark, confirms the marginal conjecture and excellently, agrees with the scope of the place, and is, at least, a reading of equal value with that in the commonlyreceived text. This fact superadded, we judge, gives it para-

^{*} Ει εστι λογος εν ύμιν. If there be in you a word. An | harmony with very many translations, preferred about. The idiom similar to est pro habeo, governing the dative. If you number of the names were about one hundred and twenty; have a word, say it.

I Ισοαηλ is rejected by Gb., Sch., and Tf. after τουτου.

^{*} Βοαχιονος ύψηλου-ύψωσεν. "He elevated the people-and with an elevated arm." These words are used with great uniformity in the Christian Scriptures, com. ver., υψηλος, in its eleven occurrences, is uniformly rendered high, com. ver., and ύψοω, in its twenty occurrences, is represented thirteen times by exalt, and seven times by lift up. We can find no more apposite representatives in our vernacular.

19 And when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Chanaan, he divided their land to them by lot.

20 And after that, he gave unto them judges, about the space of four hundred if years, until Samuel the prophet

21 And afterward they desired a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years.

22 And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king: to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.

23 Of this man's seed hath God, according to his promise, raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus:

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καθελων έθνη έπτα έν γη Χαναὰν, κατεκληροδότησεν αὐτοῖς ²⁰ καὶ μετὰ τὴν γῆν αὐτῶν. ταῦτα, ὡς ἔτεσι τετρακοσίοις καὶ πεντήκοντα, έδωκε κριτάς έως Σ αμουὴλ τοῦ προφήτου $^{-21}$ κἀκ ϵ ῖθεν ήτήσαντο βασιλέα, καὶ έδωκεν αὐτοῖς ὁ Θεὸς τὸν Σαοὺλ υίον Κίς, ἄνδρα έκ φυλης Βενιαμίν, έτη τεσσαράκοντα· ²² καὶ μεταστήσας αυτον, ήγειρεν αὐτοις τον Δαβίδ είς βασιλέα, δ καὶ εἶπε μαρτυρήσας, Εὖρον Δαβίδ τὸν τοῦ Ἰεσσαὶ, ἄνδρα κατὰ την καρδίαν μου, δς ποιήσει πάντα τὰ θελήματά μου. 23 Τούτου ό Θεὸς ἀπὸ τοῦ σπέρματος κατ' έπαγγελίαν ήγειρε τῷ Ἰσραὴλ σωτήρα 'Ιησοῦν, 24 προκηρύξανREVISED VERSION.

And when he had 'subjected 19 seven nations, in the land of Canaan, he Edivided their land to them by lot. And after 20 these things, during about four hundred and fifty years, he gave them judges until Samuel, the Prophet.

And after that they basked 21 a king for themselves. And God igranted to them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, during forty years. And having re- 22 moved him, he raised up for them David, to be king; to whom also he testified, saying, "I have found David, the son of Jesse, a man after my own heart," who shall perform all my desires. Of this 23 man's seed, has God, according to promise, *brought up for Israel a saviour-Jesus; 24 When John had first τος Ἰωάννου πρὸ προσώπου της John having first preached, 24

g For κατεκληφοδοτησεν, Gr., Schol., Ln., Tf., substitute κατεκληρονομησεν, assigned—αυτοις, to them as a possession. Hellenistic for the Hiphil of בהל γην αυτων, their land, by promise. Hack. In behalf of this substitution, we have MSS. ABCDEGH and over fifty cursive manuscripts. So depose Chrysostom, Tf., and others.

With Kuincel we say, Utraque lectio eundem gignit sensum, sed κατεκληρονομησεν, utpote difficilior est preferenda, et jure hanc lectionem in textum receperunt, Mattheius et Griesbachius. Scilicet κατακληφονομείν non tantum notat, possidere, obtinere sed etiam sensu Hiphilico possidendum tradere. Judd. 11: 24 Παντα (τα εθνη scilicet) όσα κατεκληφονομησεν ύμιν πυριος, omnes gentes quas vobis possidendas dedit dominus. Deut. 12:1; Num. 34:18; Deut. 3:29. See Kuincel in loco, Acts 13. Lond. ed. A. D. 1835.

- h Ητησαντο βασιλεα, aor. mid., "They asked a king for themselves," better, we think, than desired. A desire expressed
- 1 God gave them τον Σαουλ υίον Κις. Literatim, the Saul, son of a Kish. Ανδοα εκ φυλης Βενιαμιν, ετη τεσσαρακοντα, literatim, a man, of a tribe, of a Benjamin. Such a version is an ultraism so evident, as to constitute a reproof to those who imagine that | ple of Israel", Wakefield. "When John had first preached

the presence of the article, is, in all cases, necessary to indicate definiteness. It might be rendered, less definitely, thus, a man of Benjamin's tribe. In contrast with this indefiniteness, we place the most important and the most emphatic proposition in the Christian Scriptures, found in Matt. 16:16, συ ει δ Χριστος, δ νίος του Θεου του ζωντος. Ad verbum, Thou art the Christ, the son of the God, the Living One. In precision and definiteness, this is not surpassed in any language; nor in any oracular proposition known to me.

- ¹ Το θεληματα, com. ver., will, in the plural, it cannot be wills. We must, therefore, substitute desires. In this we are sustained by the editors of the Englishman's Greek concordance.
- k Ηγειοε. Ηγαγε is here substituted by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf., and with good reason. He has brought a Savior to Israel. Ad verbum, Of this person's seed, God, etc.

 $A\gamma\omega$ is a favorite with Luke. He uses it forty times in his Gospel and Acts. All other writers in N. T. use it only thirty times. The style of every inspired writer, or penman, in N. T., is as peculiar as his personality. Their faces, we presume, were not better marked than are their respective styles.

1 Προκηρυξαντος Ιωαννου, John having previously announced, etc.; "Before whose appearance John proclaimed a baptism of reformation to all the people of Israel", Thomp. "John first preached a baptism of repentance to all the peo-

f And radehov, part. aor., having put down, subjected; "destroyed" is too strong.

preached, before his coming, the baptism of repentance to all the

people of Israel.

25 And as John fulfilled his course, he said, Whom think ye that I am? I am not he. But behold, there cometh one after me, whose shoes of his feet I am not worthy to loose.

26 Men and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this

salvation sent.

27 For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath-day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him.

28 And though they found no cause of death in him, yet desired they Pilate that he should be

slain.

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είσόδου αύτοῦ βάπτισμα μετανοίας παντί τῷ λαῷ Ἰσραήλ. 25 ώς δε επλήρου ο Ιωάννης τον δρόμον, έλεγε, Τίνα με ύπονοείτε είναι; ούκ είμὶ έγω, άλλ' ίδου, έρχεται μετ' έμέ, οδ ούκ είμλ άξιος τὸ ὑπόδημα τῶν ποδῶν λῦ- 26 " $A\nu\delta\rho\epsilon$ s άδελφοὶ, vioì γένους 'Αβραάμ, καὶ οἱ ἐν ὑμῖν φοβούμενοι τον Θεον, ύμιν ο λόγος της σωτηρίας ταύτης άπεστάλη. 27 οι γάρ κατοικοῦντες έν Ίερουσαλημ και οι ἄρχοντες αὐτῶν, τοῦτον ἀγνοήσαντες, καὶ τας φωνάς των προφητών τάς κατὰ πᾶν σάββατον άναγινωσκομένας, κρίναντες έπλήρωσαν 28 καὶ μηδεμίαν αἰτίαν θανάτου ήτησαντο Πιλάτον άναιρεθηναι αὐτόν. 29 ώς δὲ έτέ- to put him to death. And 29

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before his mentrance on his work, an immersion of reformation to all the people of Israel. Now while John was 25 completing his course, he said, Whom do you suppose me to be? "I am not he. But behold. one is coming after me, the shoes of whose feet I am not worthy to loose. Breturen, 26 sons of the orace of Abraham, and those among you who fear God, to you is the word of this salvation sent. For 27 they who dwell in Jerusalem, and their rulers, not pknowing him, and the autterances of the prophets, which are read every sabbath, have, in condemning him, fulfilled them. And although they found 28 not the least cause of death in him, yet they desired Pilate

before his appearance, the baptism of repentance to all Israel", Boothr. "John having preached to all the people of Israel, before his coming," etc., Penn. "And before his advent he sent John to proclaim the Baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel", Murd. "John having first preached, before his coming, the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel", Wes. These may serve to show how many diverse arrangements of words, there may be in the taste or style of translators, without materially changing the sense; of these, however, Thompson and Wakefield are, in our judgement, most truthful and apposite to the Original.

- m Ποοσωπου της εισοδου αυτου. Εισοδος is found five times in N. T., represented by coming, entering, and entrance-to enter into. Hooownov, face, countenance, appearance, person, presence, in com. ver. seventy-four times. Προ προσωπου, positum est pro simplici מסני = before, Heb. אלפני, vide Mal. 3:1; Matt. 11:10. $E_{i\sigma\sigma}\delta_{\sigma s}$, ingressus aditus, John 1:19, ss. 27; Matt. 3:11. In our idiom, as "John was fulfilling his course". Kuincel, in loco, vol. 3, p. 209. "Before whose appearance John first preached a Baptism of repentance" (or, an immersion of reformation) to all people of Israel", Wakefield. "John having preached, to all the people of Israel, before his coming, the baptism of repentance", Penn.
- " Ουκ ειμι εγω-ό σωτηφ. I am not the one promised, τω Ισραηλ, v. 24. This elliptical form, his attitude and general appearance, indicated his humble conceptions of himself, and accords with ού ουκ ειμι αξιος το ύποδημα των ποδων λυσαι.

- · Υίοι γενους Αβρααμ. Γενος, in its twenty-one occurrences. com. vers., is represented by kind, nation, kindred, country. stock, offspring, born, generation, countrymen, diversives. Descendants of Abraham's offspring"-yevos, rather descendants of the race of Abraham. Wakefield prefers it, and it is more, in our idiom, used to denote the lineage of a family. Stock applies to parent, race to the series of discendants: es is prefixed to ansoraly by Ln. and Tf., and ABD. The Textus Recep. Gb., Sch .- was sent out.
- p "This one not having known (failed to recognize), and the declarations of the prophets (governed by the same participle). by having condemned him to death, they fulfilled them, i. e. the declarations." "This is the most approved translation." Hackett.
- 9 Και τας φωνας, the utterances of the prophets; επληρωσαν, they fulfilled; τας κατα παν σαββατον αναγινωσκομενας, winch are read, according to the sabbath; that is, each, or every Sabbath-day. Kara, in its five hundred occurrences, in N. T. is represented by a larger suit of connectives than any preposition in the language.
- · Εύροντες, part. aor., having found, μηδεμιαν; no cause—not the least cause of death. This gives to undequar its entire force.
- * Αναιρεθηναι, infin., to put him to death. It indicates either private or public execution. Luk. 23:32; Acts 2:23; 10:39; 12:2; 22:20; 26:10; Septuagint Exod. 21:29, here it represents המרח. In 2 Sam. 10:18, הבה. See also Hdian 2:1. Plato segg. 876, d.

29 And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him. they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre.

30 But God raised him from the dead:

31 And he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people.

32 And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the

fathers.

33 God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

34 And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, έκ νεκρών, μηκέτι μέλλοντα ύπο- dead, no more to return to

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λεσαν άπαντα τὰ περὶ αὐτοῦ γεγραμμένα, καθελόντες ἀπὸ τοῦ ξύλου, έθηκαν είς μνημείον. δέ θεος ήγειρεν αὐτον έκ νεκρών, 31 δς ώφθη έπὶ ήμέρας πλείους τοις συναναβάσιν αὐτῷ ἀπὸ τῆς Γαλιλαίας είς Ίερουσαλημ, οίτινές είσι μάρτυρες αὐτοῦ πρὸς τὸν λαόν. 32 καὶ ήμεῖς ὑμᾶς εὐαγγελιζόμεθα την προς τους πατέρας έπαγγελίαν γενομένην, 33 ότι ταύτην ὁ Θεὸς ἐκπεπλήρωκε τοῖς τέκνοις αὐτῶν ἡμῖν, ἀναστήσας 'Ιησοῦν· ὡς καὶ ἐν τῷ ψαλμῷ τῷ δευτέρω γέγραπται, Υίος μου εἶ σὺ, έγὼ σήμερον γεγέννηκά

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when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre. But God raised him "from the 30 dead: and he was seen many 31 days by those who came up with him from Galilee into Jerusalem, who are his witnesses to the people. And 32 wwe are declaring to you glad tidings, how that the promise, which was made to the fathers, God has completely 33 fulfilled the same to us their children, he having raised up Jesus; as it is also written in the *second Psalm, "Thou art my Son, to-day I have be-34 $O\tau\iota$ $\delta \epsilon$ $\dot{\alpha}\nu\epsilon\sigma\tau\eta\sigma\epsilon\nu$ $\dot{\alpha}\dot{\nu}\dot{\tau}\dot{\nu}\nu$ he raised him up from the And that 34

- * Evlov, staff, tree, wood, stock, constitute its representatives, in the N. T. It may be remarked, that oravoos, occurring twenty-eight times, and στανροω forty-four times, in N. T., are immutably represented by cross and crucify, and illustrate, if not prove, that words of mood, or specific action, have but one meaning; a fact when fully contemplated, and weighed, settles many a controversy in the subject of ordinances, human and Divine.
- " Ηγειοεν αυτον εκ νεκοων. It is worthy of note that we find not in any case in all Luke's writings, των νεχρων, used to indicate a class of persons, raised from the dead, just or unjust! Even in Paul to the Corinthians, chap. 15, in saying so much of the resurrection, it is six times out of seven anarthrous-a resurrection of the dead. The philosophy of this may, perhaps, be found in the fact that in Corinth, and some other cities, the doctrine of a resurrection of the dead, or of certain dead persons, was treated by the Greeks with much contempt. It was called "the hope of worms".

In 1 Cor. chap. 15, when argued by Paul, he first meets the objection, or rather, the denial of the fact in these words, $\alpha\nu\alpha$ στασις νεχοων ουκ εστιν; a resurrection of dead persons there is not. It was not the resurrection of the dead, for a long time after the promulgation of Jesus as the Christ. It was the question of a resurrection of the dead. The main objections to this oracle are met and refuted, 1 Cor. 15 chap.

Some interpret, v. 30, thus "God raised him up from among dead persons", not των νεκρων, as a class, but νεκρων, as a kind, or quality in the abstract. Hence the omission of the article.

- v Olives, to this, add vuv, by authority of Sch., Ln., Tf., Gb., who are now his witnesses; autov, said to be "the genitive objective", not of possession.
- * Και ήμεις ύμας εναγγελιζομεθα. 'And we are declaring to you the glad tidings of the promise made to the fathers, how God hath performed," etc., Wakefield. "And lo! we also announce to you that the promise which was made to our fathers, God has fulfilled it to us their children," Murd. "And we declare the glad tidings of the promise which was made to the fathers; for God-has fulfilled it," Penn. "And we declare unto you glad tidings concerning the promise," Boothr. Evαγγελιζομεθα has a double accusative only here. Επαγyeliav stands, in the first clause, with the usual effect of that attraction; Hackett, in loco.

And now we announce to you, as joyful tidings, the promise made to the Fathers, which God has fulfilled to us their children; having raised up for us Jesus: as also in the first Psalm. It has been written, γεγραπ. perf. ind. pass.; first Psalm, πρωτω for δεντερφ, Gb., Ln., Tf.

- * It has been alledged, though apparently incorrect now, yet nevertheless true, that what we call the second Psalm was anciently the first; or what is now called the first was originally not numbered with the Psalms, but contemplated as an introduction. Both the Syriac and the Septuagint, it is admitted, differ from our notation and enumeration of the Psalms.
- ο Ότι δε ανεστήσεν αυτον εκ νεκοων. And that he raised him up from the dead, no more to return to corruption, he says, etc.; εκ νεκρων, persons are understood. The living and the dead include all mankind, from Adam till the last-born, in human

now no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David.

35 Wherefore he saith also i another psalm, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

36 For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:

again, saw no corruption.

38 Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of

39 And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

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 $\sigma \tau \rho \epsilon \phi \epsilon i \nu \epsilon i s \delta i \alpha \phi \theta o \rho \dot{\alpha} \nu$, o $\tilde{\nu} \tau \omega s$ corruption, the said thus, "I είρηκεν, "Οτι δώσω ύμιν τὰ ὅσια Δαβὶδ τὰ πιστά. 35 διὸ καὶ έν έτερφ λέγει, Οὐ δώσεις τὸν ὅσιόν σου ίδειν διαφθοράν. 36 Δαβίδ μεν γαρ ίδια γενεά ύπηρετήσας τη τοῦ Θεοῦ βουλή, ἐκοιμήθη, καὶ προσετέθη πρὸς τοὺς πατέρας αύτοῦ, καὶ εἶδε διαφθοράν 37 δν 37 But he, whom God raised $\delta \epsilon$ $\delta \theta \epsilon \delta s$, $\eta \gamma \epsilon \iota \rho \epsilon \nu$, $\delta \iota \kappa \epsilon \delta \epsilon \delta \iota \alpha$ -38 Γνωστον οὖν ἔστω tion. φθοράν. ύμιν ἄνδρες άδελφοὶ, ὅτι διὰ τούτου ύμιν ἄφεσις άμαρτιών καταγγέλλεται 39 καὶ ἀπὸ πάντων ὧν ούκ ήδυνήθητε έν τῷ νόμῷ Μωσέως δικαιωθήναι, έν τούτω πας ό πιστεύων δικαιοῦται. 40 βλέπετε justified by the law of Moses.

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will give to you the bfaithful mercies of David." Where- 35 fore he says also, in another psalm, "Thou wilt not give up thy Holy One to see corruption." For David, indeed, after 36 he dhad served his own generation by the will of God, ofell asleep, and was radded to his fathers, and saw corruption. But he whom God grais- 37 ed again, did not see corrup-

Be it known to you there- 38 fore, brethren, that through this person is announced to you the forgiveness of sins. And by him all that believe 39 are justified from all things from which you could not be

chronology. Μημετι, no longer in time. Μελλοντα, pres. part., | 55:3, 4; Heb. and Sept. 'Οσιος respondet τω αποια apud μελλω, to be about to be. Υποστρεφείν, in its thirty-five occurrences in N. T., is represented by return, turn back, to turn back again; com. ver., come again, Acts 22:17. We do not think that any one can ever return to that place, or condition, in which he never was before. Jesus could not return to corruption.

- ² Διαφθοραν, found in N. T. only in this book of Acts, and only six times in it, and always translated corruption; and of these six times, four are in this chapter, v. 34, 35, 36, 37. In the classics, nor in the Septuagint, does it ever indicate corruption as the effect of putrescence. (See Rob. Lex., διαφ.).
- a Ειρημεν, pres. ind., he has said. Ούτως, thus, (in this wise obsolete). "I will give to you τα όσια Δαβιδ τα πιστα, the sure mercies of David."
- b Ogios is found but seven times in the approved Greek text of N. T. In this passage alone, it is translated "sure mercies", David's name being connected with όσια, faithful mercies. and τα πιστα, gives us the key of interpretation. We find the true, the covenanted, mercies guaranteed to David. 2 Sam. 7:12,17. These sure mercies were not his son Solomon's fortunes; nor those of any other king descended from him, antecedent to Jesus of Nazareth, who was finally crowned the Divine and human autocrat of all creatures. We have, then, an immense interest in these covenanted mercies to our elder brother David, even, THE BELOVED, in whom we inherit all things. If Christ's, we are Abraham's seed, and David's seed, and heirs according to these sure, or covenanted mercies. Is. | Comp. 10: 36; Luke 24: 47. Hackett.

- Hebræos ut άγιος τω Τρ, Drusius, Acts 2: 27.
- ^c Wherefore, also, in another psalm = $\psi \alpha \lambda u \omega$, he says, Thou will not give $(\delta\omega\sigma\varepsilon\iota\varsigma)$ τ o ν $\delta\sigma\iota$ o ν , the Holy one, to see, or suffer corruption.
- d David μεν, indeed, ύπης ετησας τη του Θεου βουλη-και ειδε διαφθοραν. We have here ὑπερετεω, whence ὑπηρετης, an officer, minister, and servant. The verb occurs three times in this book of Acts, and the noun four times. Auxovos, thirty times, minister. deacon, servant, are its representatives. Loukos occurs one hundred and twenty times, and the verb δουλευω twenty-four times. This family indicates all sorts of servants: from the Lord Jesus, down to the meanest servant, or slave, in any age or country.
- ^e Εκοιμηθη, was laid down to sleep; the sleep of death, Homer, Od. 3:397; compare Od. 12:372. In this form it is tantamount to death, "he fell asleep"—ne died.
- f Προσετεθη, not gathered, but added to his fathers in the unseen world, indicative of his spirit returning to God, rather than his body returning to dust.
- ^g He whom God raised, ηγειρεν, third sing. first aor. ind. act. of εγειρω, excitavit, "did not see corruption". Destruc tion and corruption are not constitutional synonyms, as some versions seem to indicate. Etymology is not an infallible guide. The corrupting force is generally from within, the destructive, from without.
- h Δια τουτου belongs to αφεσις rather than the verb. "Through this one the forgiveness of sins is announced to you."

come upon you which is spoken

of in the prophets;

41 Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for 1 work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.

42 And when the Jews were gone out of the synagogue, the Gentiles besought that these words might be preached to

them the next sabbath.

43 Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and religious proselvtes followed Paul and Barnabas; who speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace of God.

44 And the next sabbath-day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God.

45 But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.

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40 Beware therefore, lest that οὖν μη ἐπέλθη ἐφ' ὑμᾶς τὸ εἰρη- Beware, then, lest that come 40 μένον ἐν τοῖς προφήταις, 41 "Ιδε- upon you which is written inτε, οἱ καταφρονηταὶ, καὶ θαυμά- the prophets; Behold, you de- 41 σ ατε καὶ ἀφανί $\sigma\theta$ ητε· ὅτι ἔργον spisers, and wonder and perish. έγω έργαζομαι έν ταις ημέραις For I execute a work in your ύμῶν, ἔργον ὧ οὐ μὴ πιστεύσητε, days, a work which you will

έάν τις έκδιηγήται ύμιν.

42 'Εξιόντων δέ έκ της συνα- should fully declare it to you. γωγής των Ιουδαίων, παρεκάλουν τὰ ἔθνη είς τὸ μεταξὺ σάββατον λαληθήναι αύτοις τὰ ἡήματα ταύτα 43 λυθείσης δὲ τῆς συναγωγής, ήκολούθησαν πολλοί $au\hat{\omega}\nu$ Ἰουδαίων καὶ $au\hat{\omega}\nu$ $\sigma\epsilon\beta o\mu\epsilon$ gregation was dispersed, many νων προσηλύτων τ \hat{arphi} Π αύλarphi κα \hat{arphi} τῷ Βαρνάβα οἵτινες προσλαλοῦντες αὐτοῖς, ἔπειθον αὐτοὺς έπιμένειν τῆ χάριτι τοῦ Θεοῦ.

Τῷ δὲ ἐρχομένφ σαββάτφ σχεδον πασα ή πόλις συνήχθη άκοῦσαι τὸν λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ. ⁴⁵ ιδόντες δὲ οι Ἰουδαϊοι τοὺς \mathring{o}_{χ} λους, $\mathring{\epsilon}_{\pi}\lambda\mathring{\eta}\theta\eta\sigma\alpha\nu$ ($\mathring{\eta}\lambda$ ου, καὶ titudes, they were filled with άντέλεγον τοῖς ὑπὸ τοῦ Παύλου λεγομένοις, άντιλέγοντες καὶ things which were spoken by βλασφημοῦντες.

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not believe, though any one And as they were going out, 42 the Gentiles besought them, that these words might be spoken to them the next Sabbath. Now when the *con- 43 of the Jews and religious proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas, who, laddressing them, persuaded them to persevere in the grace of God. And on the "next Sabbath, al- 44 most the whole city assembled to hear the word of God. But 45 when the Jews saw the mulezeal, and spoke against those ⁴⁶ παρρησια- Paul, contradicting and revil-46 Then Paul and Barnabas σάμενοι δὲ ὁ Παῦλος καὶ ὁ Βαρ- ing. Then Paul and Barnabas 46

י Pro verbis, ראר בגרים Alexandrini interpretes ita expres-· erunt. Ιδετε, οί καταφουνηται—και εμβλεψατε και θαυμασατε θαυμασια, και αφανισθητε, etc. The Hebrew original, in our alphabet, is in the following words: Reu baggoyim vehabbitu vehitta mehu temahu ki poal poel bimeycem lo taaminu ki yesuppar. Com. ver. is not greatly dissimilar. "Behold you among the heathen people, and regard, and be astonished; be astonished. for I am working a work in your days; which, when it shall be told you, you will not credit." See Kuincel, in loco.

¹ Εξιοντων δε αὐτων παρεκαλουν, Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf., instead of εξιοντων δε εκ της συναγωγης των Ιουδαιων, com. reading. Then, having gone out, of their own accord, they besought, or, entreated. Luke uses this word more than any of the Christian historians, and Paul more than Luke and all other New Test.

Av Desons, part. aor. pass. The synagogue having been dismissed. The word "synagogue", like our word "church", was then indicative of the house, and of the people that met in it for worship, and was used occasionally to indicate both.

¹ Προσλαλεω is found only in this chapter, and in ch. 28:20 in the Christian Scriptures. It indicates speaking to, or with, one; and that with earnestness.

m On the next Sab., Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf. read εχομενω, for the Textus Receptus, ερχομενφ. The sense is the same, σχεδον πασα ή πολις συνηχ θ η ακουσαι; almost the whole city were assembled, or brought together.

[&]quot; But the Jews having seen, idovtes, (part. aor.), the crowds, were full of zeal, and they contradicted the things, leyouerois, spoken by Paul-βλασφημουντες-αντιλεγοντες-και; omitted by Ln., Gb., but highly probable.

o Indignation, or, zeal, not, envy, as some would have it. Autileyoutes is neither superfluous nor Hebraistic, but, like the participle united with its finite verb in the classics, emphasizes αντελεγον, Mey., Hackett. I think the term, zeal, is, in its ancient and modern acceptation, its most obvious representative with us. It is, according to knowledge, a virtue, but otherwise a vice. "Envy," Mur., Booth., Wakef. "Jealousy," Penn. "Zeal," Wesley, Dodd., Thomp.

waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles:

47 For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life, believed.

49 And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region.

50 But the Jews stirred up the devout and honourable women, and the chief men of the city, and raised persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their coasts.

51 But they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and came unto Iconium.

52 And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Ghost.

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νάβας εἶπον, Ύμιν ἢν ἀναγκαίον πρώτον λαληθήναι τον λόγον τοῦ Θεού έπειδη δε άπωθείσθε αὐτόν, καὶ οὐκ άξίους κρίνετε έαυτοὺς τῆς αἰωνίου ζωῆς, ἰδοὺ στρε- $\phi \circ \mu \in \theta \alpha \in \mathfrak{s} \quad \tau \overset{\bullet}{\alpha} \stackrel{\bullet}{\epsilon} \theta \nu \eta. \quad ^{47} \circ \mathring{v} \tau \omega$ γαρ έντέταλται ήμιν ο κύριος, Τέθεικά σε είς φως έθνων, τοῦ είναι σε είς σωτηρίαν έως έσχάτου της γης. 48 'Ακούοντα δέ τὰ έθνη έχαιρον, καὶ έδοξαζον τὸν λόγον τοῦ κυρίου, καὶ ἐπίστευσαν όσοι ήσαν τεταγμένοι είς ζωην αιώνιον. 49 διεφέρετο δὲ ό λόγος του κυρίου δι' όλης της χώρας. 50 οι δε Ιουδαίοι παρώτρυναν τὰς σεβομένας γυναῖκας καὶ τὰς εὐσχήμονας καὶ τοὺς πρώτους της πόλεως, καὶ ἐπήγειραν διωγμον έπὶ τον Παῦλον καὶ τον Βαρνάβαν, και έξέβαλον αύτους άπο των ορίων αυτών. 51 οί δε έκτιναξάμενοι τον κονιορτόν των ποδων αύτων έπ' αύτους, ήλθον είς Ἰκόνιον. οί δε μαθηταί έπληρούντο χαράς καὶ Πνεύματος Αγίου.

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became bold, and said; It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you. But seeing you put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of the everlasting life, behold we turn to the Gentiles. For so has 47 the Lord commanded us, saying; I have pplaced you for a light of nations that you might be for salvation even to the ends of the earth. On hearing 48 this the Gentiles rejoiced and glorified the word of the Lord. and as many, as were determined for everlasting life, believed. And the word of the 49 Lord was published throughout all the region. But the 50 Jews stirred up the devout and honorable women, and the chief men of the city, and raised a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their borders. But 51 they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and went into Iconium. And the dis- 52 ciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

Taσσω is found only eight times in the Christian Scriptures; Luke employs it five times, Paul twice, and Mathew once. In Luke's writings, it is represented by "set" = placed; "ordained", "determined", and "appointed". Paul speaks of magistrates as "ordained" of God, and of the Christians in Corinth, that "they had addicted themselves to the ministry of saints". Of Jesus it is said, he "appointed his friends to meet him at a certain place." Such is its current value in the Christian Scriptures. As many, then, as were resolved, or determined for eternal life, were attentive hearers of the word; and, therefore, believed. "But all things are of God, who has reconciled us to himself," by the means so ordained. Dr Doddridge

says, I cannot think with Sir Nortor Knatchbull, that recovered is tantamount, in this place, to συνηγμενοι, as many as were met together = the Gentiles, believed; nor, with the great Joseph Mede's interpretation, that τεταγμενοι εις ζωην αιωνίον is a periphrasis to express "proselytes of the gate?" In Rom. 13:1, it is properly rendered, in the margin of some Testaments ordered, with Dodd. we prefer determined, because as ambiguous as the original.

We cannot but approve the conclusion of a considerable dissertation of the learned and judicious Kuincel on this passage. His words are: Iam additus ex gentilibus fidem habuisse voo $\eta\sigma\alpha\nu$, x. r. \(\lambda\). Unde consequitur, veram causam, cur a Deo vitæ æternæ destinati fuerint gentiles fuisse ipsorum fidem oo quam Judæi se felicitate illa indignos reddiderunt. Of which, the sum is: It is now added, that some of the Gentiles believed; from which fact it follows, that the true cause why the Gentiles were by God ordained to eternal life was their faith, as the rejection of his Divine doctrine was the cause, on account of which the Jews rendered themselves unworthy of this felicity.

P Τεθεικα σε εις φως εθνων, I have placed you for a light of nations: so spoke the Lord, and such were, and are, the Apostles. Εις σωτηφιαν έως εσχατου της γης; I have ordained you, for salvation to the end of the earth. Του ειναι σε, infin. pres., Telic sense, that thou mayest be for salvation to the end of the earth.

⁹ Και επιστευσαν όσοι ησαν τεταγμενοι εις ζωην αιωνιον.

CHAP. XIV.

And it came to pass in Iconium, that they went both together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spake, that a great multitude, both of the Jews, and also of the Greeks, believed.

2 But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles, and made their minds evil-affected against the brethren.

3 Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

4 But the multitude of the city was divided: and part held with the Jews, and part with the apostles.

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'ΕΓΕΝΕΤΟ δε έν 'Ικονίω, κατὰ τὸ αὐτὸ εἰσελθεῖν αὐτοὺς είς την συναγωγην των Ιουδαίων, καὶ λαλησαι οὕτως ωστεπιστεῦσαι Ἰουδαίων τε καὶ Ἑλλήνων πολύ πληθος. 2 oi $\delta \hat{\epsilon}$ άπειθουντες Ιουδαίοι έπηγειραν καὶ ἐκάκωσαν τὰς ψυχὰς τῶν έθνων κατὰ των ἀδελφων. 3 ίκανον μέν οθν χρόνον διέτριψαν παρρησιαζόμενοι έπὶ τῷ κυρίῳ τῷ μαρτυροῦντι τῷ λόγῳ τῆς χάριτος αύτοῦ, καὶ διδόντι σημεῖα καὶ τέρατα γίνεσθαι διὰ τῶν χει- and wonders to be done by $\rho\hat{\omega}\nu$ $\alpha\dot{\upsilon}\tau\hat{\omega}\nu$. $\dot{\varepsilon}\sigma\chi\dot{\varepsilon}\sigma\theta\eta$ $\dot{\varepsilon}\dot{\varepsilon}$ πληθος της πόλεως καὶ οἱ μὲν σὺν τοῖς ἀποστόλοις.

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AND it occurred in Iconi- 1 um, that they, rat the same time, went into the synagogue of the Jews, and spoke so that a great multitude, both of the Jews, and also of the Hellenists, believed. But the 2 unbelieving Jews "stirred up the Gentiles, and 'disaffected their *minds against the brethren. For a long time, there- 3 fore, they continued there, speaking boldly respecting the Lord who rattested the word of his grace, granting signs their hands.

But the multitude of the 4 city was divided. Some were ⁵ Ω_s $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$ others with the Apostles. And 5

* Κατα το αυτο, analogous to, επι το αυτο, ch. 3: 1, together.

- * Και λαλησαι ούτως, and they so spake. So Hackett and others. Wakefield supplies Paul and Barnabas, because named at the close of the preceding chapter. This seems to be unnecessary. "And so spake." Spake is obsolete, or nearly so .-Webster.
- * Απειθουντες, απειθησαντες.-Ln., Tf. The unbelieving Jews. $A\pi\epsilon\iota \Im\epsilon\omega$ is found three times in this book, associated with the Jews. Paul to the Hebrews, and to the Romans uses it more frequently than any other inspired writer; and, in the sense of disobedient, he and Peter use it seven times.
- " Επεγειραν, found only in this and in the preceding chapter in the Christian Scriptures, raised persecution, ch. 13:50. Here "stirred up". This is more than "over-excited", as sometimes found in classic use.
- * Εκακωσαν. With one exception, (Pet. 3:13), this word is confined to this Book of Acts. "Made evil affected" their minds, com. ver.; "evil entreated", "vexed", "hurt", not much better. "Harmed", 1 Pet. 3:13, no better.
- w Of one hundred and fifteen occurrences in N. T. ψυχη is only twice represented by mind. Life and soul are its almost universal representatives. Beza on this passage says: Male affectos reddiderunt. Cum alioquin hoc vocabulum alibi soleat usurpari pro opprimere seu affligere, seu damnum aliquod inferre; ut Acts 12:1; 14:2. Crit. Sacra. נפט cum sex punctis est anima, animus. (1) Halitus oris, anhelitus, spiritus, flatus, ventus, Gen. 1:20. Sic anima nomen Latinis et Gracis pro and wonders to be done through their hands.

anhelitu sumitur, pulmo animæ prælargus anhelat. (2) VITA, cujus anima fons est et origo. Job 2:6; Ps. 7:2, 3.

Conceiving it important to discriminate between the soul and the spirit, the anima and the animus, we have here, as occasionally before, drawn liberally on Leigh's Critica Sacra. London ed. A. D. 1650.

- * Ίκανον, χοονον, διετριψαν. Ικανος is a favorite term in Luke's style. He employs it twenty-nine times, while all the other N. T. writers use it only twelve times. In his writings it is represented by worthy, large, great, enough for, many, much, long, security, good while, long while, sore. It is, in some of the other N. T. writers, represented by the word meet, able, and three times in Paul's second Letter to the Corinthians, by the word sufficient. This last representative is broad enough for its whole currency in the Christian Scriptures. Still it appears not exactly apposite in this place. It would be rather an ambiguous epithet to affirm of speaking upon the Lord. They spoke a sufficient time upon the Lord! Sufficient for the theme? or sufficient for the people? Connected with time. as it is here, we may try it in other places. A certain man had demons for a sufficient time; of a sufficient season; of sufficient time Simon had bewitched them with sorceries; Paul talked a sufficient time "till break of day". In such associations it would be more apposite to say for a long time. See Acts 8:11; 14:3; 18:18; 20:11; 27:7, &c.
- y We would have preferred was testifying to the word of his grace, being a continuative testimony, were it not, that it is followed by διδοντι, a dative of the manner, by granting signs

- 5 And when there was an assault made both of the Gentiles, and also of the Jews, with their rulers, to use *them* despitefully, and to stone them,
- 6 They were ware of it, and fled unto Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and unto the region that lieth round about:

7 And there they preached

the gospel.

8 And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked.

9 The same heard Paul speak: who steadfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,

10 Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And

he leaped and walked.

11 And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods

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έγένετο όρμη των έθνων τε καὶ Ἰουδαίων σὺν τοῖς ἄρχουσιν αὐτῶν, ὑβρίσαι καὶ λιθοβολησαι αὐτοὺς, ⁶ συνιδόντες κατέφυγον εἰς τὰς πόλεις τῆς Λυκαονίας, Λύστραν καὶ Δέρβην, καὶ την περίχωρον, ⁷ κάκεῖ ἦσαν εὐαγγελιζόμενοι.

⁸ Καί τις ἀνὴρ ἐν Λύστροις ἀδύνατος τοῖς ποσὶν ἐκάθητο, χωλὸς ἐκ κοιλίας μητρὸς αὐτοῦ ὑπάρχων, ὸς οὐδέποτε περιεπεπατήκει. ⁹ οὖτος ἤκουε τοῦ Παύλου λαλοῦντος ὸς ἀτενίσας αὐτῷ, καὶ ἰδὼν ὅτι πίστιν ἔχει τοῦ σωθῆναι, ¹⁰ εἶπε μεγάλη τῆ φωνῆ, ʿΑνάστηθι ἐπὶ τοὺς πόδας σου ὀρθός. Καὶ ἥλλετο καὶ περιεπάτει. ¹¹ Οἱ δὲ ὄχλοι ἰδόντες ὁ ἐποίησεν ὁ Παῦλος, ἐπῆραν τὴν φωνὴν αὐτῶν Λυκαονιστὶ

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when there was a rush, both by the Gentiles, and also by the Jews with their rulers, ato use them spitefully, and to stone them, they, being 6 aware of it, fled down into Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and into the surrounding country. And there 7 they bannounced the gospel.

And, a certain man in Ly-8 stra was sitting, 'impotent in his feet, a cripple from his birth; who had never walked. The same heard Paul speak; 9 who, looking intently upon him, and 'aperceiving that he had faith to be healed, said 10 with 'a loud voice, 'Stand upright on your feet. And he 'leaped and walked. And when 11 the people saw what Paul had done, they raised their voices, saying in the 'Lycaonian,

- * $O_{Q\mu\eta} \tau \omega \nu \epsilon \partial \nu \omega \nu$, $\tau \epsilon \times \alpha \iota Iov \delta \alpha \iota \omega \nu$. A violent attempt of the Gentiles, as well as of Jews. $O_{Q\mu\eta}$ is once rendered, comver., assault; and the verb, $\delta_{Q\mu\alpha\omega}$, to rush, to run violently. In classic use, $\delta_{Q\mu\eta}$ is represented by rush, assault, violent attempt, impulse.
- ^a Υβοισαι και λιθοβολησαι, to outrage, and to stone them, "to insult them, and to stone them."—Murd., Booth. "To use them despitefully and to stone them."—Wes. "To assault, and stone them."—Thomp.
- ^b Κάκει ησαν εναγγελιζομενοι. And there they were announcing the Gospel. Such is its appropriated meaning, literally, evangelizing.
- " Περιεπεπατηπει. Some editors write this pluperfect without an augment.—Hackett. Ύπαρχων, being, appears redundant, and is, therefore, rejected by Gr., Sch., Ln., and Tf. It does not correspond with τις—τις ανηρ χωλος, a certain man, αδυνατος τοις ποσιν, imbecile, or, impotent in his feet. Χωλος, claudus, in classic usage, is represented by lame, halting, crippled, feeble. Its Hebrew representative is το κειαμάνει claudus manu. Hence the name Appius Claudius who was first called "Appius the lame". On this case Webster gives, "primarily, one who creeps, halts, or limps; one who has lost, or never enjoyed the use of his limbs", and refers to the Acts of Apostles in proof. This was a splendid miracle, and won for Paul the title of Mercury among the Greeks.

- d Και ιδων ότι πιστιν εχει τον σωθηναι, literally thus rendered, "and having perceived that he had faith of being healed", or confidence of being healed (unquestionably appropriated to his own case), Paul, with a bold, or a loud voice, said: stand up straight upon your feet.
- Μεγαλη τη φωνη. The manner in which he exerted his voice, not to the power or volume of it.—Hackett.
- f "I say to you, in the name of the Lord Jesus," is not in the Textus Receptus published by the Bagsters. It is omitted on the authority of the Uncial and most cursive manuscripts—the Vulgate, Æthiopic, Chrysostom, Theop., and Occ. See Alford. The proper force of the presence, or absence, of the article before a noun, is well illustrated in this case. This was a special faith in a special case. We may have faith in the Christ of God, and not faith in being cured by him of any particular disease of mind, or body, under which we may be languishing. The patient, before us, had not only faith in Jesus the Christ, but also faith that, on his own special appeal to him, he would, through this Apostle, be healed.
- ^g Ήλατο rather than ἡλλετο, denoting a single act. Saltavit, 3d sing. 1 aor. mid. of ἀλλομαι, salio, he bounded.
- h Saying in the Lycaonian, or in the speech of Lycaonia. Lycaonic, Hackett. The speech of Lycaonia, is more properly Lycaonian; not, according to the dialects of the nations, Lycaonic. As the Persian, Grecian, Roman, are the appropriate

are come down to us in the likeness of men.

12 And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker.

13 Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city. brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people.

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λέγοντες, Οι θεοί ομοιωθέντες άνθρώποις κατέβησαν προς ήμας. 12 ἐκάλουν τε τὸν μὲν Bαρνάetaαν, Λία· τὸν δὲ Παῦλον, Ερμην, έπειδη αύτος ην ο ηγούμενος τοῦ λόγου. ¹³ δ δε ερεψς τοῦ <math>Διεετοῦ ὄντος πρὸ τῆς πόλεως αὐτῶν, ταύρους καὶ στέμματα έπὶ τοὺς πυλώνας ένέγκας, σύν τοις όχλοις $\eta'\theta\epsilon\lambda\epsilon$ $\theta'\nu\epsilon\nu$. 14 'Aκούσαντες δε fer sacrifices "to them. Which 14

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The gods are come down to us, in the likeness of men. And they called Barnabas, 12 ⁱZeus, and Paul, ⁱHermes, because he was the chief speaker. Then the priest of the 13 Zeus that was before the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates, and, with the people, wished to of-

names of the tongues of Persia, Greece, and Rome, so should the language of the people of Lycaonia be denominated, or distinguished from the tongues of other countries. Its classic root is Lukos, a wolf.

And they called Barnabas, Zeus, and Paul, Hermes. These were the facts; but not so the common version of them. The question thence arises: Why translate these proper names, or adopt a Roman version of them, and in similar cases not translate Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Melchizedeck, Moses, Samuel, David, Daniel, Peter, &c., &c.

Jupiter and Mercury are merely a substitution of a Roman currency for a Greek currency. We would, in such cases, prefer the retention of the original name, especially when a historical fact is involved.

1 O ήγουμενος του λογου. The leader of the discourse, is equivalent to the chief, or leading speaker. It is by some supposed, that, as Paul spoke more than Barnabas, and more officially, the audience were led to think that Barnabas was a Divinity, and Paul his interpreter, or oracle. This view of the subject enhances the courteousness, and the most honorable port and bearing of this most Divinely accomplished ambassador to the Gentile world, towards his fellow-laborer Barnabas. and will everywhere pass at par value.

^k ∠e, in this attitude, is rather continuative than adversative, and is, therefore, by most revisers and translators rendered then, or and .- Dodd., Wes., Thomp., Wake., Penn, Booth. Wic., Tyn., Cran., &c. There are, however, those who prefer but, which is sometimes slightly adversative as well as continuative. We think, however, that, in harmony with all the honors conferred, this is named as the consummation, and though in bad taste, and in worse theology, it is the consummation of the climax of honors conferred on Paul and Barnabas by a polytheistic population.

1 It should be here noted, that αυτων, as connected with πολεωs, city, is repudiated as a spurious reading by Gb., Sch.,

Tov ovros, after rov dios, stands in apposition with it. Many cities were placed under the protection of some particular deity, and the image of that deity placed at the entrance, to signify that he was the guardian and protector.

this. Luke everywhere, as accurate as he is circumstantial, refers. Lystra, it appears, was under the guardianship of Jupiter Propuleius, which Luke translates: Tov Dios vov orvos προ της πολεως, the Jupiter that was before the city; which is another term for Jupiter Custos, the guardian. All these deities had their priests, rites, and sacrifices, and each a peculiar service and priest for the office that he bore; so that Jupiter Brontes, Jupiter the Thunderer, had a different service from Jupiter Custos, Jove the Guardian. Hence we see with what accuracy Luke wrote: The person, who was to offer them sacrifice, was the priest of Jupiter Custos; under whose guardianship the city of Lystra was; and who, the priest supposed, had visited the city in a human form; and Barnabas (probably, for the reasons already assigned), he imagined to be the person. And as Mercury, the god of eloquence, was the general attendant of Jupiter, the people and the priest supposed that Paul, who had a powerful commanding eloquence, was that God also disguised. A beautiful figure of such an impersonation of Jupiter, as, is supposed, formerly stood before the gate of Lystra, still remains; and a fine engraving of it may be seen in Gruter's Inscriptions, Vol. 1, p. 20. Adam Clark,

Concerning these garlands, both Ovid and Virgil sing.

The former says :-

"Rich curling fumes of incense feast the skies, A hecatomb of voted victims dies, With gilded horns and garlands on their head, In all the pomp of death to th' altar led."

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And Virgil sings :-

"The victim ox, that was for altars prest, Trimm'd with white ribbons and with garlands drest. Sunk of himself, without the gods' command, Preventing the slow sacrificer's hand."

DRYDEN'S Virgil.

^m To them is a supplement essential to the proper conception of the discourse of Paul and Barnabas, reported in verses 14-18, which every reflecting reader must keep in his mind, as necessary to his apprehension of the point and drift of the address of Paul and Barnabas, and the rending of their own

14 Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,

15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you, that ye should turn from these vanities heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:

16 Who in times past suffered all nations to walk in their own

17 Nevertneless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

18 And with these sayings scarce restrained they the people, that they had not done sacrifice unto them.

19 And there came thither certain Jews from Antioch, and Iconium, who persuaded the χείας καὶ Ἰκονίου Ἰουδαῖοι, καὶ Iconium; and having persua-

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οί ἀπόστολοι Βαρνάβας καὶ Παῦλος, διαρρήξαντες τὰ ἱμάτια αύτων είσεπήδησαν είς τον όχλον, κράζοντες 15 καὶ λέγοντες, Ανδρες, τί ταθτα ποιείτε; καὶ ήμείς ομοιοπαθείς έσμεν ύμιν ἄνθρωποι, εὐαγγελιζόμενοι ὑμᾶς ἀπὸ τούτων τῶν ματαίων ἐπιστρέφειν unto the living God, which made $|\epsilon \pi i \tau \delta \nu| \theta \epsilon \delta \nu \tau \delta \nu (\hat{\omega} \nu \tau \alpha, \hat{\delta} s \epsilon \pi \delta i - \hat{\delta} s)$ ησε τον ούρανον καὶ τὴν γῆν καὶ την θάλασσαν καὶ πάντα τὰ ἐν αὐτοῖς. 16 ος έν ταῖς παρωχημέναις γενεαίς είασε πάντα τὰ έθνη πορεύεσθαι ταῖς όδοῖς αὐτῶν ¹⁷ καί τοι γε ούκ ἀμάρτυρον έαυτον άφηκεν, άγαθοποιών, ούρανόθεν ήμιν ύετους διδούς και καιρούς καρποφόρους, έμπιπλών τροφής καὶ εὐφροσύνης τὰς καρδίας ήμῶν. 18 Καὶ ταῦτα λέγοντες, μόλις κατέπαυσαν τους όχλους τοῦ μη θύειν αὐτοῖς.

 19 $^{\prime}E\pi\hat{\eta}\lambda heta$ ον δὲ ἀπὸ $^{\prime}A$ ντιο-

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when the Apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard, they rent their clothes, "and leaped forth into the crowd, crying out, and saying, Why do you do 15 these things? We are "men of like nature with yourselves, declaring to you glad tidings, that you should turn from these vanities to the living God, who made the heaven, and the earth, and the sea, and pall things that are in them; who, in 4the ages 16 past, suffered all the nations rto go on in their own ways. Nevertheless, he did not leave 17 himself without *testimony, in that he did good, and gave you rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling your hearts with food and gladness. And 18 with these sayings scarcely restrained the people, that they did not offer sacrifice to them. Then Jews 19 came over from Antioch and

- · We are men, εσμεν ανθοωποι-δμοιοπαθεις ύμιν, of passions similar to yourselves, ευαγγελιζομενοι, announcing to you glad tidings, that you should turn away from these vanities to the living God, who has made the heaven, and the earth, and the sea, and all things that are in them.
- P To παν, was an abbreviated formula representing the whole Universe, in the Aristotelian age. Τα παντα, and παντα τα, are not always identical in sense; the latter τα has sometimes the position and power of a relative pronoun, which is the case here. Therefore, in this case, we prefer "all things that are in them, to all things in them ".
- 9 Παρωχημεναις, from παροιχομαι, preteritus, found only in this place N. T., indicative of ages long since, or fully passed away.
- " Πορευεσθαι, not properly "to walk in their own way," rather to go on in their own course.
- ⁸ Και τοι γε ουκ αμαρτυρον, etc. And yet, indeed, he did not leave himself unattested.

- Te, enclitic, gives point and pungency to this expression. Αμαρτυρος, is an άπαξ λεγομενον, in this book, but in this sense it is found in Josephus Antiq. 14:7, 2; Plutarch de Solent Anim. 23; Thuc. 2:41. Doing good, &c. Better collocated in English thus: "And yet, indeed, doing good, giving (ύμιν instead of ήμιν, Gb., Sch., Ln.—Tf. omits both) to you rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling your (ὑμων not ήμων) hearts with food and gladness."
- t The heart receives not food; but, rhetorically, the heart is the receptacle of all comfort; hence the fullest expression of the satisfied desires of every category.
- " Ταυτα λεγοντες, saying these things they, with difficulty (uolis from uolos, labor), restrained the multitude from offering sacrifice to them.
- Then $(\delta \varepsilon)$ Jews $(\varepsilon \pi \eta \lambda \vartheta o \nu)$ came over from Antioch and Iconium, και πεισαντες, and having persuaded rove oxhove, the multitudes. Translators are almost equally divided in presenting this in singular and plural, multitude and multitudes. Being plural in all the best texts, we deem it proper to appear in the same number in the version, as in the original.

ⁿ For εισεπηδησαν, Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf., substitute εξεπηδησαν. They leaped out into the crowd exclaiming and saying: Men! why do you do these things?

people, and having stoned Paul, drew him out of the city, supposing he had been dead.

20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch,

22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

23 And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.

24 And after they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphilia.

25 And when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia:

26 And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God, for the work which they fulfilled.

27 And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.

28 And there they abode long time with the disciples.

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πείσαντες τους όχλους, καὶ λιθάσαντες τον Παθλον, έσυρον έξω της πόλεως, νομίσαντες αὐτὸν ²⁰ κυκλωσάντων δέ τεθνάναι. αὐτὸν τῶν μαθητῶν, ἀναστὰς είσηλθεν είς την πόλιν καὶ τή έπαύριον έξηλθε σύν τῷ Βαρνάβα είς Δέρβην. 21 εὐαγγελισάμενοί τε την πόλιν έκείνην, καὶ μαθητεύσαντες ίκανους, ύπέστρεψαν είς την Λύστραν καὶ 'Ικόνιον καὶ 'Αντιόχειαν. 22 έπιστηρίζοντες τὰς ψυχὰς τῶν μαθητῶν παρακαλοῦντες ἐμμένειν τῆ πίστει, καὶ ὅτι διὰ πολλῶν θλίψεων δεί ήμας είσελθείν είς την βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ. 23 χειροτονήσαντες δε αύτοις πρεσβυτέρους κατ' έκκλησίαν, προσευξάμενοι μετά νηστειών, παρέθεντο αύτους τῶ κυρίω εἰς ον πεπιστεύ-24 καὶ διελθόντες την Πισιδίαν, ἢλθον εἰς Παμφυλίαν 25 καὶ λαλήσαντες έν Π έργη τὸν λόγον, κατέβησαν είς 'Αττάλειαν· 26 κάκεῖθεν ἀπέπλευσαν είς 'Αντιόχειαν, δθεν ήσαν παραδεδομένοι τη χάριτι τοῦ Θεοῦ εἰς τὸ ἔργον ὁ ἐπλήρωσαν. 27 παραγενόμενοι δε καὶ συναγαγόντες την έκκλησίαν, άνηγγειλαν όσα έποίησεν ὁ Θεὸς μετ αὐτῶν, καὶ ότι ήνοιξε τοις έθνεσι θύραν πίστεως. 28 διέτριβον δὲ ἐκεῖ χρόνον ούκ όλίγον σύν τοῖς μαθηταίς.

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ded vthe multitudes, and having stoned Paul, they were dragging him out of the city, supposing that he wwas dead. But, while the disciples were 20 standing about him, rising up, he entered into the city. And the next day he went out with Barnabas into Derbe. And when they had 21 announced the glad tidings to that city, and made many disciples, they returned into Lystra, and Iconium, and Antioch, confirming the souls 22 of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, saying that we must, through much tribulation, enter into the kingdom of God. And, 23 having appointed for them elders in every congregation, and having prayed with fastings, they commended them to the Lord, in whom they believed. And, having passed 24 through Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia. And when they 25 had spoken the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia; and thence they sail- 26 ed to Antioch, whence they had been commended to the grace of God, for the work which they performed.

And when they came, and 27 had assembled the congregation, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and that he had opened a door of faith to the nations. And they continued no little 28 time with the disciples.

[&]quot; "That he had been dead," is not only ambiguous, but seen. They had not dragged, but, according to the text, were reckless of all the texts, ancient and modern, that we have dragging him out of the city, when he revived.

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CHAP. XV.

And certain men which came down from Judea, taught the brethren, and said, Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.

- 2 When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.
- 3 And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.
- 4 And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and of the apostles and elders, and they declared all things that God had done with them.

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CHAP. XV.

ΚΑΙ τινες κατελθόντες ἀπὸ της Ιουδαίας, έδίδασκον τους άδελφούς, "Οτι έαν μη περιτέμνησθε τῷ ἔθει Μωϋσέως, οὐ δύ-2 Γενομένης νασθε σωθήναι. οὖν στάσεως καὶ συζητήσεως ούκ ὀλίγης τῷ Παύλῳ καὶ τῷ Βαρνάβα προς αύτους, έταξαν αναβαίνειν Παθλον καὶ Βαρνάβαν καί τινας άλλους έξ αὐτῶν προς τους αποστόλους και πρεσβυτέρους είς Ίερουσαλημ, περί τοῦ ζητήματος τούτου. 3 oi $\mu \hat{\epsilon} \nu$ οὖν προπεμφθέντες ὑπὸ τῆς ἐκκλησίας, διήρχοντο την Φοινίκην καὶ Σαμάρειαν, ἐκδιηγούμενοι τὴν έπιστροφην των έθνων καὶ έποίουν χαράν μεγάλην πάσι τοίς άδελφοίς. ⁴ παραγενόμενοι δὲ είς Ίερουσαλημ, ἀπεδέχθησαν ύπο της έκκλησίας καὶ τῶν ἀποστόλων καὶ τῶν πρεσβυτέρων, $\vec{\alpha}\nu\dot{\eta}\gamma\gamma\epsilon\iota\lambda\dot{\alpha}\nu$ $\tau\epsilon$ $\delta\sigma\alpha$ δ $\theta\epsilon\deltas$ $\epsilon\pi\delta\iota$ that God had done by them.

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CHAP. XV.

And certain *persons that 1 came down from Judea, taught the brethren, saying; Unless you are circumcised after the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved. When, therefore, 2 Paul and Barnabas had no little ydissension and discussion with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas and certain others of them, should go up into Jerusalem to the Apostles and elders about this question. And being brought on their 3 way by the congregation, they passed through Phenicia and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles; and caused great joy to all the brethren.

And when they were come 4 into Jerusalem, athey were received by the congregation, and by the Apostles and elders, and they declared all things

* Tis, aliquis, tives, certain persons. The masculine gender | stance it is represented by reasoning, and in this chapter by is most worthy in all such cases. We sometimes substitute disputation and disputing. persons. Tives narehdovres, Certain men coming down, Wes.; "Some who came down," Wakef.; "Had gone down," Penn.; "Came down," Murd., Thomp.; "Came," Dodd. Ano the Iovδαιας, from Judea (to Antioch understood), εδιδασκον τους αδελφους-λεγοντες, after εδιδασκον must be supplied, in the sense, that the following ότι may redound, Kuinæl. Τω εθει Mωύσεωs, in the manner Moses prescribed, or, prescribed by Moses.

Περιτμηθητε is preferred by Ln. and Tf. to περιτεμνησθε. Griesbach regards it as supported by good authorities. T_{ϕ} EFE, according to the custom. Dative of the manner.

F Γενομένης ουν στασέως—αυτους—controversia et disputatione acri. In ch. 14:4, we find a schism amongst the citizens; and in Acts 23:7, a similar one between the Pharisees and the Sadducees. Stages occurs four times in the book of Acts, and only four times in all other portions of the Christian Scriptures. In com. ver. it is represented by insurrection, sedition, dissension, uproar; and once by standing. Hence its special meaning, in any given case, depends upon its context.

Συζητησις occurs twice in this chapter, and only once beside ξαντο, rather απεδεξαντο, according to Ln., Tf. in the Christian Writings, Acts ch. 28:29; in this last in-

The verb συζητεω is in favor with John Mark, occurring six times in his gospel, and only four times in Luke's writings. In Mark, com. ver., it is five times represented by question, and once by reason. But for συζητησεως, in this place, and in v. 7, in some manuscripts, it is $\zeta \eta \tau \eta \sigma \varepsilon \omega_s$, which occurs in this sense, at least six times in the Christian Scriptures.

* Οί μεν ουν προπεμφθεντες ύπο της εκκλησιας. Some, as Hammond, on 1 Cor. 16:11, interpret these words thus: Hi igitur ab ecclesia honorifice deducti. Morus and Heinrichsius so interpret them, i. e. "they were sent away with all necessary provisions for the journey." But no passage can be adduced from any writer of respectability to sustain such an interpretation. $\Pi \rho o \pi \epsilon \mu \pi \omega$, in its eight other occurrences in N. T., is represented by accompany, conduct, or bring forward, a person on a journey, Xen. Cyr. I. 4, 25; Homer's Odys. E. 37, 146, are quoted to sustain this interpretation. But their poetry, or their prose, is quite out of place in Luke's horizon.

² Απεδεχθησαν, they were kindly, or benignantly received. In ch. 2:41, and in ch. 21:17, we find $\alpha\sigma\mu\epsilon\nu\omega\epsilon$ before $\epsilon\delta\epsilon$ -

5 But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees, which believed, saying, That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.

6 And the apostles and elders came together for to consider of this matter.

7 And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up and said unto them, Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago, God made choice among us, that the Gentiles, by my mouth, should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.

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⁵ έξανέστησαν ησε μετ' αὐτῶν. δέ τινες των ἀπὸ της αιρέσεως των Φαρισαίων πεπιστευκότες, λέγοντες, "Ότι δεῖ περιτέμνειν αύτους, παραγγέλλειν τε τηρείν τον νόμον Μωϋσέως.

 6 Συνήχθησαν δ $\dot{\epsilon}$ οι $\dot{\alpha}$ πόστολοι καὶ οἱ πρεσβύτεροι ἰδεῖν περὶ elders came together to conτοῦ λόγου τούτου. 7 πολλης δὲ συζητήσεως γενομένης, άναστας Πέτρος εἶπε πρὸς αὐτοὺς, Ανδρες άδελφοὶ, ύμεις επίστασθε ότι ἀφ' ἡμερῶν ἀρχαίων ὁ Θεὸς έν ἡμῖν έξελέξατο διὰ τοῦ στό- made choice camong us, that ματός μου ἀκοῦσαι τὰ ἔθνη τὸν the Gentiles, by my mouth, $\lambda \acute{o} \gamma o \nu \tau o \hat{\nu} \epsilon \dot{\nu} \alpha \gamma \gamma \epsilon \lambda \acute{l} o \nu$, $\kappa \alpha i \pi \iota$ should hear the word of the

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But bsome of the sect of 5 the Pharisees, who believed, rose up, saying, that it was necessary to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.

And the Apostles and 6 sider of this matter. when there had been much discussion, dePeter rose up and said to them; Brethren, you know that at first God

Are those of a sect that believed, and those from a sect that believed equivalent, or exactly equivalent, alike definite and perspicuous? Are "believers of the sect of the Pharisees." and "some of the Pharisees that believed," tantamount and equally definite indications of position? Is currency coin, or are cur-

thought that it was necessary to command them to circumcise, and to keep the law of Moses.

Aίρεσης. The Pharisees and the Sadducees constituted each an heresy or an aloeous. Hence, in v. 5, we read of certain persons of the heresy or sect of the Pharisees. Converted Pharisees constituted the first heretics or heresiarchs in the Christian Church; or translated from the synagogue to the church their respective theories. Like all HERETICS, in all ages, they were sensitive and tenacious of their respective peculiarities. Hence their tenacity of certain Jewish rites and ceremonics. They had the honor of occasioning the first Christian convention. They were punctiliously sensitive of the claims of Moses, and his law of ceremonies. Thus, in Jerusalem, they placed themselves under the shield of Moses and Abraham.

- · Their central dogma is in the following words: ότι δει περιτεμνειν αυτους, παραγγελλειν τε τηρειν τον νομον Μωϋσεως. Ιτ behooved them first to be circumcised, and then to keep the law of Moses. They must be subjected to circumcision, and keep the law. Such was the issue-circumcision and the law of Moses.
- d Αναστας Πετρος. In possession of the floor, Peter opens. Ανδρες αδελφοι. More implicated than any other man in that assembly, having immersed the Gentiles by a special command. without any conference, or agreement with any other Apostle. Hence his apology, ὁ Θεος εν ήμιν εξελεξατο δια του στοματος μου ακουσαι τα εθνη τον λογον του ευαγγελιου, και πιστευσαι.
- * Εν ήμιν, is better sustained in this passage than εν ήμιν. preferred by Ln., Tf. Peter modestly uses the plural. It is, indeed, a Hebraism. (Hebræi enim verbo הם comitem addere solent præpositionem ב; Nehemiah 9:7, אשר בחרת באברם cui placuit probatus fuit Abrahamus. Add 1 Chronicles rency and coin convertible terms? Literally, the Pharisees 28:4,5. The Septuagint renders it thus: εξελεξατο εν εμοι-

ο Εξανεστησαν δε τινες των απο της αίρεσεως των Φαρισαιων; But there arose some of the sect of the Pharisees; or-But certain persons of the sect of the Pharisees who believed, arose; or, with Hackett, "But there arose some of those from the sect of the Pharisees." "Thereupon some of the sect of the Pharisees who believed, rose up, and said," Thomp. "But some of the sect of the Pharisees that believed, rose up and said," Dodd. "And they related how certain believers of the sect of the Pharisees had risen up, and said," Wakef. "But there rose up, said they, certain of the sect of the Pharisees who believed," Wesley. "And some who from the sect (or doctrine) of the Pharisees, had believed, rose up, and said," Murd. "But some of the sect of the Pharisees who had believed, arose, saying," Penn. "And there arose certaine of the heresie of the Pharisees that believed, saying," Rheims. "But sayed they, certaine of the secte of the Pharises rose up, which dyd beleue, saying," Geneva. "Then rose up certayne of the Secte of the Pharises which did beleue, saying," Cranmer. "Then arose ther op certayne that were of the secte of the Pharises and dyd beleve sayinge," Tyndale. "But summe of the eresie of farisies that bileuden, risen up and seiden," Wickliffe. Such is the scale-descending of thirteen English versions, as quoted, upon one of the most transparent verses in the Christian Scriptures. The changes in orthography are not much greater than the changes in the sense, so far as perspicuity, precision, and force are considered.

- the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us:
- 9 And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.
- 10 Now therefore why tempt | αὐτῶν. ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?
- 11 But we believe, that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, we shall be saved, even as they.
- 12 Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to Barnabas and Paul, declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.
- 13 And after they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Men amd brethren, hearken unto me.
- 14 Simeon hath declared how

GREEK TEXT.

8 And God, which knoweth στεῦσαι. 8 καὶ ὁ καρδιογνώστης θεος εμαρτύρησεν αυτοίς, δους αυτοίς το Πνεθμα το Αγιον, καθώς καὶ ήμιν. 9 καὶ οὐδὲν διέκρινε μεταξύ ήμων τε καὶ αὐτων, τῆ πίστει καθαρίσας τὰς καρδίας 10 νῦν οὖν τί πειράζετε τον Θεον, έπιθείναι ζυγον έπὶ τον τράχηλον των μαθητών, δν οὔτε οἱ πατέρες ἡμῶν οὔτε ἡμεῖς ἰσχύσαμεν βαστάσαι; ¹¹ ἀλλὰ δια της χάριτος Κυρίου Ίησοῦ Χριστού πιστεύομεν σωθήναι, καθ΄ ον τρόπον κάκεινοι. 12 'Εσίγησε δὲ πᾶν τὸ πληθος, καὶ ήκουον Βαρνάβα καὶ Παύλου έξηγουμένων ὅσα ἐποίησεν ὁ θεὸς σημεῖα καὶ τέρατα ἐν τοῖς 13 $M\epsilon \tau \dot{\alpha}$ $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$ *ἔθνεσι δι αὐτῶν*. τὸ σιγησαι αὐτοὺς, ἀπεκρίθη Ίακωβος, λέγων, "Ανδρες άδελφοὶ, ἀκούσατ ϵ μου. ¹⁴ Συμ ϵ ων to me. Simeon has declar- 14 God at the first did visit the $\epsilon \xi \eta \gamma \eta \sigma \alpha \tau \sigma$, $\kappa \alpha \theta \omega s \pi \rho \omega \tau \sigma \nu \delta \theta \epsilon \delta s$ ed how God first visited

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Gospel, and believe. And God, 8 who knows the hearts, bore them testimony, giving them the Holy Spirit, even as to us; and put no difference 9 between us and them, having purified their hearts by the faith. Now, therefore, why 10 do you try God by putting a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers, nor we, were able to bear? But, through the grace 11 of the Lord Jesus, we believe that we shall be saved, even as they.

Then all the multitude 12 were silent, and heard Barnabas and Paul declaring what hsigns and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.

And after they were si- 13 lent, James addressed them, saying; Brethren, hearken

ειναι βασιλεα. Εξελεξατο εν Σολομων τω νίω καθισαι (αυτον) | sovereign, or special before it, because all grace is necessarily επι θρονον. Vide Vorstius de Hebraism. N. T., p. 662. See sovereign, special, and free. It may, in degrees, be great, also Kuinœl in loco.

- ι Και ο καρδιογνωστης Θεος-δους αυτοις το Ηνευμα το Ayıov. Confessing judgment, he pleads his justification on the basis of a Divine oracle, and of a Divine gift to the Gentiles, even the το Πνευμα το Άγιον, in its greatest, largest amplitude. It is not only the Holy Spirit in all the amplitude of his grace, but as more definite and exegetical he adds, καθως και ήμιν, even as to us, Jews; and still more pleonastically, he adds, τη πιστει καθαρισας τας καρδιας αυτων, having purified their hearts by the faith.
- E Xolotov is here omitted by Gb., Sch. and Tf. Lord Jesus is all sufficient. Δια της χαριτος, the charity. This word has obtained a very latitudinarian currency in the N. T., com. ver.; being represented by ten words: favor, grace, thank, pleasure, liberality, benefit, joy, thankworthy, gift, acceptable; while from the same root, χαρισμα, occuring seventeen times, is uniformly represented by gift; and xaoisomai by give, frankly forgive, grant, deliver. Were we at liberty to select any one term, to the exclusion of every other, we should give our suffrage for favor. In our present currency, it would be adequate to the scope of the original. We should not place | 28:17.

greater, and greatest; but, uniformly, it is free and sovereign.

- h Σημεια και τερατα. Not convertible terms; all signs are not wonders, nor are all wonders, signs; neither are all miracles, signs, nor all signs, miracles. Σημειον, in some eighty occurrences in N. T., is some fifty times represented by sign; by miracle more than twenty times, and occasionally by token, tantamount to sign, and sometimes by wonder.
- i Ανδοες αδελφοι. Αδελφοι, in some three hundred and fifty occurrences in N. T. is represented by brother, or brethren. $A\nu\eta\varrho$ is, some two hundred and twenty times, represented by man; and, in reference to married men, by husband, some fifty times.

When ardges adelgos occur, as they do only in this book of Acts, and in it some twelve times, we represent them together by the word brethren. Peter introduced this formula, and on Pentecost the converts caught it and used it. Stephen used it, but with the addition of the word fathers—"Brethren and Fathers." Because avdoes equally applies to both, and is absorbed alike in both, we prefer, "Brethren and Fathers." So Paul uses them Acts 13:15; 22:21; 13:26,38; 23:1,6;

people for his name.

15 And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written.

16 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:

17 That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things.

18 Known unto God are all ταῦτα πάντα.

GREEK TEXT.

Gentiles, to take out of them a $\epsilon \pi \epsilon \sigma \kappa \epsilon \psi \alpha \tau \delta \lambda \alpha \beta \epsilon \hat{\imath} \nu \epsilon \xi \epsilon \theta \nu \hat{\omega} \nu$ λαον έπὶ τῷ ὀνόματι αὐτοῦ. 15 καὶ τούτω συμφωνοῦσιν οί λόγοι τῶν προφητῶν, καθὼς γέγραπται, 16 Μετὰ ταῦτα ἀναστρεψω καὶ ἀνοικοδομήσω τὴν σκηνήν Δαβίδ την πεπτωκυίαν καὶ τὰ κατεσκαμμένα αὐτῆς ἀνοι- fallen down, and I will reκοδομήσω, καὶ ἀνορθώσω αὐτήν build its ruins, and I will 17 όπως αν εκ(ητήσωσιν οι κατά- set it up; that "the rest 17 λοιποι τῶν ἀνθρώπων τὸν Κύ- of men may seek after the ριον, καὶ πάντα τὰ ἔθνη, ἔφ' οὖς Lord, even all the nations, έπικέκληται τὸ ὄνομά μου ἐπ' upon whom my name is callαὐτούς· λέγει κύριος ὁ ποιῶν ed, says the Lord, who does

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the Gentiles, to take out of them, a people for his name. And with this the words of 15 the prophets agree; as it is written, After this I will re- 16 turn, and will rebuild the *tabernacle of David which is 18 Γνωστὰ ἀπ' all these things. "Known to 18

out of the nations a people for his name. επι is redundant. Rejected by Ln., Tf., Gb.

Upon his name, is a literal version of επι τφ ονοματι αύτου-"To take from among them a people for his name," Thomp. "To take out of them a people for his name," Wakef. "To elect a people for his name out of the Gentiles," Murd. "To take out from them a people for his name," Penn. "To take out of them a people for his name," Wes., Booth. "To take from among them a people for the honor of his name," Dodd. So, substantially, are all the versions that we have seen. For the glory of his name, being the God of the Gentiles as well as of the Jews, he commanded his Gospel to be announced to all nations, intending thereby, as a means to an end, to collect out of all the tribes and nationalities of earth one new community.

This amounts to no more than his commission to the Apostles indicates: "Preach the gospel to every creature," the whole human race. The question here is upon $\varepsilon \pi \iota$, which is repudiated by Ln., Tf.; and is by Gb. regarded as a probable omission, which, indeed, very little affects the sense-a people for his name is, without $\varepsilon\pi\iota$, fairly indicated.

Eπι, with the dative, is, in the com. ver., translated by, at, unto, in, of. In its more than one thousand two hundred occurrences in the N. T. it is frequently, with the dative, represented by in. In the single book of the Acts, in a hundred and seventy five occurrences, it is found in construction with the genitive, accusative, and dative, and is frequently represented, com. ver., by in, on, or upon. Deus inter Gentiles sibi collegit cætum, qui esset populus Dei peculiaris sicut olim Iudæi," Kuin. In this view, we fully concur. Vigerus on Grecian idioms, De prepositione, επι, p. 612. London ed. 1824.

1 Λαβειν εξ εθνων λώδν επι τω ονοματι αύτον. Το take | senmüller, Amos 1:2. But σχηνη is put for any sort of house. Here it is an image of the kingdom of David, as in other places an image of mount Zion, on which David's palace stood. Virtually, it represents the original political state of the nation. See Kuincel on this passage.

- 1 Κατεσκαμμενα-κατασκαπτω, found here, and in Rom. 11: 3, perf. part. pas. = ruins. Its root is σκαπτω, diruo, fodio, that which has fallen to the ground and which is dug up. Τα κατεσκαμμενα, diruta, is found in the Alexandrian ver., Amos 9: 1, 12. "I will restore its ruins," Wakef. Some recognize here, the Hebraism which converts the first of two verbs into an adverb, qualifying the second. "I will again rebuild," Meyer. De Wette and Winer reject that explanation. Hackett also; and so do we. "I will build again its ruins," Penn. "Restore its ruins," Wakef. Too ambiguous, or elliptical. "I will build again the ruins thereof," Wesley. "That which was in ruins in it," Murd.
- ^m Οί καταλοιποι των ανθοωπων τον Κυριον, και παντα τα εθνη, εφ' ούς επικεκληται το ονομα μου επ' αυτους-"The residue of men." Καταλοιποι is found only in this place in the N. T., representing all the world beyond the Jews. This passage represents the whole Gentile world, and intimates their participation in this salvation in common with the Jews. "God is immutable, and hath decreed and always, olim, antiquissimis temporibus, regnum condere, in quod non tantum Judæi sed etiam Gentiles, sine legis ritualis observatione reciperentur. In other words, he willed that not only the Jews, but also uncircumcised Gentiles, should belong to his peculiar people, Kuincel, in loco.

ⁿ Γνωστα απ' αιωνος, textus receptus, (εστι τω Θεω παντα * Την σκηνην Δαβιδ. Σκηνη answers to Hebrew του indicat- τα εργα αύτου)—Griesbach's reading, Kuin. "Το God are ing a tent woven of leaves or reeds, in use among shepherds, Ro- known all his works from eternity," Thomp. "Known unto

his works from the beginning of the world.

19 Wherefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them, which from among the Gentiles are turned to God:

20 But that we write unto them that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornication, and from things strangled, and from blood.

21 For Moses of old time hath in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath-day.

22 Then pleased it the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch, with Paul and Barnabas; namely, Judas surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, chief men among the brethren:

23 And they wrote letters by them after this manner; The apostles, and elders, and brethren, send greeting unto the GREEK TEXT.

αιωνός έστι τω Θεώ πάντα τὰ έργα αύτοῦ. ¹⁹ διὸ έγὰ κρίνω μη παρενοχλείν τοίς ἀπὸ των έθνων έπιστρέφουσιν έπὶ τὸν Θεόν· 20 άλλὰ ἐπιστεῖλαι αὐτοῖς τοῦ ἀπέχεσθαι ἀπὸ τῶν ἀλισγημάτων των είδωλων καὶ τῆς πορνείας καὶ τοῦ πνικτοῦ καὶ τοῦ αίματος. 21 Μωσης γαρ έκ γενεών άρχαίων κατά πόλιν τους κηρύσσοντας αύτον έχει έν ταις συναγωγαίς κατά πᾶν σάββατον άναγινωσκόμενος.

22 Τότε έδοξε τοις αποστόλοις καὶ τοῖς πρεσβυτέροις σὺν ὅλη τη έκκλησία, έκλεξαμένους άνδρας έξ αὐτῶν πέμψαι εἰς 'Αντιόχειαν σὺν τῷ Παύλῳ καὶ Βαρνάβα, Ἰούδαν τον ἐπικαλούμενον Βαρσαβάν, καὶ Σίλαν, ἄνδρας ήγουμένους έν τοῖς άδελφοις, ²³ γράψαντες διὰ χειρὸς αὐτῶν τάδε, Οἱ ἀπόστολοι καὶ οί πρεσβύτεροι καὶ οἱ άδελφοὶ, REVISED VERSION.

God from everlasting are all his works. Wherefore my 19 judgment is, not to trouble those who from among the Gentiles turn to God; but to 20 write to them, that they abstain from pollutions of the idols, and pfornication, and things strangled, and blood. For, afrom ancient times, Mo- 21 ses has, in every city, those who preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath.

Then it pleased the Apos- 22 tles and the elders, with the whole congregation, to send rchosen men, from among themselves, to Antioch, with Paul and Barnabas;—Judas, surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, leading men among the brethren. And they wrote by 23 them these words:-The Apostles, and elders, and brethren, greeting-To the brethbrethren which are of the Gen- τοις κατά την 'Αντιόχειαν καί ren of the Gentiles in An-

these things known from the beginning," Penn. "Known from of old are the works of God," Murd. "Known-from the beginning of the world," Wakef. "Known, etc., from the beginning of the world," Dodd. Εστι τω Θεω παντα τα εργα αύτου, omitted by Gb., and Tf. To me, of doubtful authority. It is a true oracle, but here unnecessary.

- · Διο εγω κρινω. "Wherefore I judge," Wes. "Therefore I say to you," Mur. "My opinion is," Wakef. "My judgment is," Penn. "I judge," Hack. 'Therefore' it is my judgment," Thomp. "Wherefore my judgment is," Dodd.
- P Hogveia, fornication. Various substitutes for this word have been proposed. See Kuinœl. M. L'Enfant explains this of victims offered by prostitutes out of their scandalous hire (Deut. 23:18) which, he says, makes a beautiful sense. Heinsius, at large, vindicates this interpretation, and shows that Athanasius uses πορνεια for πορνική θυσια, Doddridge. Kuincel gives some six columns of dissertations on the acceptations of this word, backed by eminent names. With Rosenmüller, Morus, and other distinguished names, we concur, that this word is not to be taken in any private inter- probable omission).

God are all his works from eternity," Wes. "Who made | pretation, but in its full amplitude, or generic acceptation in sacred literature.

- 9 Moses—has them that (κηρυσσοντας αυτον—) are preaching him, not διδασκοντας—teaching him. The words are never confounded, nor substituted the one for the other, in the Christian Scriptures. Preaching and teaching Christ are as distinct as making or gaining disciples is from teaching them. The preacher's work and the teacher's work are frequently contradistinguished in the Apostolic currency. In the case of the synagogues in opposition to Jesus, they proclaimed the divine mission of Moses, and claimed authority for him against the claims of Jesus the Nazarene. Hence we are informed that "daily in the temple, and from house to house, they ceased not to teach and to preach Jesus, the Christ," διδασκοντες και ευαγγελίζομενοι Ιησουν τον Χοιστον.
- r Εκλεξαμενους passes into the accusative, because the object of the governing verb; αποστολοις serves, at the same time, "as the subject of the infinitive," Hackett. "For Silas, in the Acts, we have always Silvanus in the Epistles." Σιλας, Σιlovavos; the former his Jewish, the latter his Gentile name.
- ⁸ Και οί before αδελφοι is omitted by Ln. (Gb. marks it as a

tiles in Antioch, and Syria, and Cilicia.

24 Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us, have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law; to whom we gave no such commandment:

25 It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you, with our beloved Barnabas and Paul:

26 Men that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

27 We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who shall also tell you the same things by mouth.

28 For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than those necessary things;

29 That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.

30 So when they were dismissed, they came to Antioch; and when they had gathered the multitude together, they delivered the epistle.

31 Which when they had read, they rejoiced for the consolation.

32 And Judas and Silas, being prophets also themselves, exhorted the brethren with many words, and confirmed them.

33 And after they had tarried there a space, they were let go in peace from the brethren unto the apostles.

GREEK TEXT.

Συρίαν καὶ Κιλικίαν άδελφοις τοις έξ έθνων, χαίρειν. 24 ' $E\pi$ ειδή ήκουσαμεν ότι τινές έξ ήμων έξελθόντες έτάραξαν ύμας λόγοις, άνασκευάζοντες τὰς ψυχὰς ύμῶν, λέγοντες περιτέμνεσθαι καὶ τηρείν τὸν νόμον, οἷς οὐ διεστειλάμεθα· 25 έδοξεν ήμιν γενομένοις ομοθυμαδον, έκλεξαμένους ἄνδρας πέμψαι προς ύμας, σύν τοις άγαπητοις ήμων Βαρνάβα καὶ Παύλω, ²⁶ ἀνθρώποις παραδεδωκόσι τὰς ψυχὰς αὐτῶν ύπερ του ονόματος του κυρίου ήμων Ίησου Χριστου. 27 άπεστάλκαμεν οὖν Ἰούδαν καὶ Σίλαν, καὶ αὐτοὺς διὰ λόγου ἀπαγ-28 έδοξε γέλλοντας τὰ αὐτά. γαρ τω Αγίω Πνεύματι καὶ ήμιν, μηδέν πλέον ἐπιτίθεσθαι ύμιν βάρος, πλην των έπάναγκες τούτων, 29 ἀπέχεσθαι είδωλοθύτων καὶ αίματος καὶ πνικτοῦ καὶ πορνείας έξ ων διατηρούντες έαυτους, εὖ πράξετε. ἔρρωσθε. 30 Οἱ μὲν οὖν ἀπολυθέντες ηλθον είς 'Αντιόχειαν' καὶ συναγαγόντες τὸ πληθος, ἐπέδωκαν την έπιστολήν. 31 άναγνόντες δε, έχάρησαν έπὶ τῆ παρακλήσει.

32 'Ιούδας δὲ καὶ Σίλας, καὶ αὐτοὶ προφήται ὄντες, διὰ λόγου πολλοῦ παρεκάλεσαν τοὺς ἀδελφούς, καὶ ἐπεστήριξαν. 33 Ποιήσαντες δε χρόνον, απελύθησαν μετ εἰρήνης ἀπὸ τῶν ἀδελφῶν with peace from the breth-

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tioch, and Syria, and Cilicia. Since we have heard, 24 that some persons who went out from us, have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, You must be circumcised, and keep the law; to whom we gave no commandment; it seem- 25 ed good to us, being assembled with one accord, to send "chosen men to you, with our beloved Barnabas and Paul; men who have hazarded their 26 lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have sent, 27 therefore, Judas and Silas, who also themselves will tell you the same things by word of mouth. For it seemed good to 28 the Holy Spirit, and to us, to lay on you no greater burden than these necessary things; To abstain from meats offer- 29 ed to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication; from which, if you keep yourselves, vou will do well. Farewell. So, then, having been 30 dismissed, they came into Antioch: and when they had assembled the multitude, they delivered the epistle; and 31 having read it, they rejoiced over the consolation. And 32 Judas and Silas, being also themselves prophets, exhorted the brethren with many words, and established them. And after they had made some 33 $\pi \rho \dot{o}s$ τοὺs ἀ $\pi o \sigma \tau \dot{o} \lambda o \upsilon s$. ³⁴ ἔδο ξε ren to the *Apostles. ⁵But it 34

[·] Δεγοντες περιτεμνεσθαι και τηρειν τον νομον is omitted | by Ln., Tf., and by Gb., is regarded as a probable omission.

u For επλεξαμενους, Ln. would substitute επλεξαμενοις, which Gb. marks as a reading not quite so strongly supported.

v For ηλθον, Ln. would substitute κατηλθον, which Griesb. thinks probable.

w Meτ' ειοηνης, with peace. Judas and Silas now return to Jerusalem. Silas next appears with Paul at Antioch.

^{*} For αποστολους Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. substitute αποστειλαντας αυτους, with much authority.

y This verse is repudiated by Gb., Ln., Tf., and others Verba hujus versus in multis Codd. desunt. In others, it

34 Notwithstanding, it pleased Silas to abide there still.

35 Paul also and Barnabas continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

36 And some days after, Paul said unto Barnabas, Let us go again and visit our brethren, in every city where we have preached the word of the Lord, and see how they do.

37 And Barnabas determined to take with them John, whose surname was Mark.

38 But Paul thought not good to take him with them, who departed from them from Pamphylia, and went not with them to the work.

39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus.

40 And Paul chose Silas, and departed, being recommended by the brethren unto the grace of God.

41. And he went through Syria and Cilicia, confirming the churches.

GREEK TEXT.

δε τώ Σίλα επιμείναι αὐτοῦ. 35 Παῦλος δὲ καὶ Βαρνάβας διέτριβον έν 'Αντιοχεία, διδάσκοντες καὶ εὐαγγελιζόμενοι, μετὰ καὶ έτερων πολλών, τον λόγον τοῦ

κυρίου. 36 ΜΕΤΑ δέ τινας ημέρας είπε Παῦλος πρὸς Βαρνάβαν, Επιστρέψαντες δη έπισκεψώμεθα τους άδελφους ήμῶν κατὰ πασαν πόλιν, έν αις κατηγγείλαμεν τον λόγον τοῦ κυρίου, πῶς έχουσι. 37 Βαρνάβας δὲ έβουλεύσατο συμπαραλαβείν τον 'Ιωάννην τον καλούμενον Μάρκον 38 Παῦλος δὲ ήξίου, τὸν ἀποστάντα ἀπ' αὐτῶν ἀπὸ Παμφυλίας, καὶ μὴ συνελθόντα αὐτοῖς είς τὸ ἔργον, μὴ συμπαραλαβείν τοῦτον. 39 έγένετο οὖν παροξυσμος, ώστε άποχωρισθηναι αὐτους ἀπ' ἀλλήλων, τόν τε Βαρνάβαν παραλαβόντα τον Μάρκον έκπλεῦσαι εἰς Κύπρον· 40 Παῦλος δε έπιλεξάμενος Σίλαν έξηλθε, παραδοθείς τη χάριτι τοῦ $\Theta \epsilon o \hat{v} \hat{v} \pi \hat{o} \tau \hat{\omega} \nu \hat{a} \delta \epsilon \lambda \phi \hat{\omega} \nu$. ⁴¹ $\delta i \dot{\eta} \rho$ χετο δὲ τὴν Συρίαν καὶ Κιλικίαν, έπιστηρίζων τὰς ἐκκλησίας.

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pleased Silas to remain there still. Paul and Barnabas, also, 35 continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

And some days after, Paul 36 said to Barnabas, Let us visit 2the brethren in every city, in which we have preached the word of the Lord, to see how they do. And Barnabas *de- 37 termined to take John with them, whose surname was Mark. But Paul thought it 38 not proper to take him with them, who departed from them in Pamphylia, and did not go with them into the And there arose a 39 contention so that they separated one from the other; and Barnabas took Mark, and sailed into Cyprus. But 40 Paul chose Silas, and departed, being commended by the brethren to the favor of God. And he went through 41 Syria and Cilicia, eestablishing the congregations.

reads μονος δε Ιουδας επορευθη. The Syriac, Arab., Polyglott, Copt., Sclavonic, Chrysostom, Theophylact, omit it.

² Ήμων is rejected by Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf. It appears, indeed, redundant.

^{*} Εβουλευσατο, determined: not as in some editions, εβουλετο, wished, Hack.

b Hziov, thought it not just, worthy of him, or, thought it not right. Of seven occurrences of this verb in N. T., and of forty of the adjective, αξιος, it is, with some five or six exceptions, rendered worthy.

[·] Εγενετο παροξυσμος, literally, a paroxysm of feeling arose between them, or a contention indicative of Paul's intense interest in his mission. But neither yielded; and so they parted. This controversy occurred in the first year of the second half of the first century.

d Επιλεξαμενος occurs but twice in N. T., John 5: 2, com. ver., "which is called." "Having chosen," Thomp., Penn., and Wes. "Chose," Murd., Booth., Wakef. "Made choice of," Dodd. "Having chosen for himself," Hack.

[·] Επιστηριζων τας εκκλησιας, establishing the congregations. Επιλησια occurs some one hundred and sixteen times in N. T.; one hundred and thirteen times rendered by the word church, and three times by assembly. In Ephesus there was a regularly constituted Christian assembly, or εκκλησια, the word here used and represented by the word assembly, when applied to a mob; but when to a Christian meeting for worship, in com. ver. is represented by the word church. This ought not grammatically nor historically so to be. This word, or any one representative of it, is not found in the Christian Scriptures. We have motorns, kuriotes, four times, translated by dominion three times, and once by government; we have neither kyrke

CHAP. XVI.

THEN came he to Derbe and Lystra: and behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timotheus, the son of a certain woman which was a Jewess, and believed, but his father was a Greek:

- 2 Which was well reported of by the brethren that were at Lystra and Iconium.
- 3 Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and took and circumcised him, because of the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek:
- 4 And as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees for to keep, that were ordained of the apostles

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Κατήντησε δὲ εις Δέρβην καὶ Λύστραν· καὶ ἰδοὺ, μαθητής τις ἦν ἐκεῖ, ὀνόματι Tιμόhetaεος, υίὸς γυναικός τινος Ίουδαίας πιστής, πατρὸς δὲ "Ελληνος 2 ὸς έμαρτυρείτο ύπὸ τῶν ἐν Λύστροις καὶ Ικονίω άδελφων. 3 τοῦτον ήθελησεν ὁ Παῦλος σὺν αύτῷ έξελθείν, καὶ λαβων περιέτεμεν αὐτον, διὰ τους Ιουδαίους τους όντας έν τοίς τόποις έκείνοις. ήδεισαν γὰρ ἄπαντες τὸν πατέρα αὐτοῦ, ὅτι Ἦλλην ὑπῆρχ ϵ ν. 4 ώς δε διεπορεύοντο τὰς πόλεις, παρεδίδουν αὐτοῖς φυλάσσειν τὰ δόγματα τὰ κεκριμένα ὑπὸ τῶν REVISED VERSION.

CHAP. XVI.

THEN Paul came to Derbe 1 and Lystra; and, behold, a disciple was there, named Timothy, (the son of a woman who was a Jewess and a believer, but his father was a Greek,) who was well at- 2 tested by the brethren in Lystra and Iconium. Paul 3 wished him to go forth with him, and took and circumcised him, because of the Jews who were in those quarters; for they all knew that his father was a Greek. And as they went through 4 the cities, they delivered to them, for their observance, the bdecrees that had been ordainἀποστόλων καὶ τῶν πρεσβυτέρων ed by the Apostles and elders

nor curate in the original tongues, and, of course, not in the original Christian Scriptures.

In North Britain they have a kyrke, made of the first syllable of xvoios, and oixos, contracted into kuriok, now written kyrk in Scotland, and church in England. But these, originally of stone or brick, cannot represent a Christian community.

The εκκλησια family occurs in N. T. some one hundred and fifteen times, three times translated, com. ver., assembly, and one hundred and twelve times church. This has been, and yet is, a very unfortunate fact. Brick and stone may be culled out, but can never be called out, as the word εμκλησια intimates. The called out are thinking, willing, moving, acting agents, such as men and women; and such only can constitute the living temple-the living, acting, moving, body of Christ-the real house of God on this earth-the positive living "pillar and support of the truth," to be seen, known, and read by all men. We have been obliged to continue this word church, and with it a perpetual conflict. According to the Constitution of the Bible Union, I presume we are bound to translate where it can be done, and not to transfer Hebrew, Greek, or even Roman terms, susceptible of translation, unless, indeed, such terms are almost universally, and, without litigation, admitted. We, therefore, expect to see this word church repudiated, and the word congregation, or assembly, substituted for it. We are aware of the difficulty of effecting such a change. Time, however, can and will accomplish it.

We find the word εμμλησια used three times in the 19th chapter of this same book, to represent what we now call a

dred and fifteen occurrences in the Christian Scripture it is, with the exception of these three cases, uniformly rendered church; in these three exceptions, assembly.

Συναγωγη is found fifty-seven times in N. T., and with two exceptions it is transferred synagogue, because, like our word "church", it fifty-five times represents stone and lime buildings. It is twice applied to the people—once in this book, ch. 13:43, "congregation"; and once, James 2:2, "assembly". It is expedient, indeed, important, to state that the verb συνανω. which occurs in N. T. some sixty-three times, is fifty times represented by "gather", "gather together"; by assembly, took in, bestow fruits, or "stow away fruits", "resort".-In all, thirteen times.

- f Δερβην και Αυστραν. In ch. 14:16, Αυστραν και Δερβην, because the journey now is from East to West, formerly from West to East. Tivos is here omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf. There is, indeed, no need for it.
- g Os εμαρτυρείτο, well attested, by brethren in Lystra. Timothy was not circumcised, because his father was a Gentile. Nor was it allowed a mother to circumcise a son, his father not concurring in the act. So teach the writers of the Talmud, as quoted by Kuin., vol. 3, p. 243.
- h Τα δογματα τα κεκριμενα ύπο των αποστολων. Δογμα occurs three times in Luke's writings, and only twice in Paul's. In Luke's writings, N. T., always represented by decrees; in Paul's, by ordinances. This is its whole currency in N. T.
- ^τ Τα κεκοιμενα ύπο των αποστολων και ποεσβυτερων των mob, a tumultuous assemblage of the people. Out of one hun- εν Ίερουσαλημ. The elders here are those of the church of

and elders which were at Jeru- $\tau \hat{\omega} \nu \epsilon \nu i I \epsilon \rho o \nu \sigma \alpha \lambda \eta \mu$. salem.

- 5 And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily.
- 6 Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia, and the region of Galatia, and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia;
- 7 After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not.
- 8 And they passing by Mysia, came down to Troas.
- 9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.

10 And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering, that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.

11 Therefore loosing from

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5 αί μεν οὖν ἐκκλησίαι ἐστερεοῦντο τῆ πίστει, καὶ ἐπερίσσευον τῶ ἀριθ-

μῷ καθ' ἡμέραν.

6 Διελθόντες δε την Φρυγίαν καὶ τὴν Γαλατικὴν χώραν, κωλυθέντες ύπο του Αγίου Πνεύματος λαλησαι του λόγου έν τη Ασία, 7 έλθοντες κατά την Μυσίαν ἐπείραζον κατὰ τὴν Βιθυνίαν πορεύεσθαι καὶ οὐκ είασεν αυτούς το πνεθμα. 8 παρελθόντες δε την Μυσίαν, κατέβησαν είς Τρωάδα. 9 καὶ όραμα διὰ τῆς νυκτὸς ὤφθη τῷ Παύλω. Ανήρ τις ήν Μακεδών έστώς, παρακαλών αὐτὸν καὶ λέγων, Διαβάς είς Μακεδονίαν, βοήθησον ήμιν. 10 'Ως δὲ τὸ ὅραμα είδεν, εύθέως έζητήσαμεν έξελθείν είς την Μακεδονίαν, συμβιβάζοντες ὅτι προσκέκληται ἡμᾶς δ κύριος εὐαγγελίσασθαι αὐτούς. 11 'Αναχθέντες οὖν ἀπὸ Troas, we came with a straight $\tau \hat{\eta} s$ $T \rho \omega \hat{\alpha} \delta o s$, $\epsilon \hat{\nu} \theta \nu \delta \rho o \mu \hat{\eta} \sigma \alpha \mu \epsilon \nu$ as, we ran by a "straight

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who were in Jerusalem. And 5 so were the congregations established in the faith, and daily increased in number.

Now when they had gone 6 throughout Phrygia, and the region of Galatia, and (being iforbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia) after they came to Mysia, they 7 attempted to go into Bithynia; but the 'Spirit suffered them not. So passing along 8 Mysia, they came to Troas. And a vision appeared to Paul 9 in the night. There stood a man, a Macedonian, who besought him, saying, come over into Macedonia, and help us. And after he had seen the 10 vision, we immediately mendeavored to go forth into Macedonia, being assured that the Lord had called us to preach the gospel to them. Therefore, loosing from Tro- 11

were ordained," com. ver. This word, in this single book of Acts, is, in com. ver., represented by "sentence," "that which is determined," "concluded," "question," "condemning." "The determinations," Thom.; "the injunctions," Mur.; "the decrees," Penn, Wakef., Boothr., Dodd., Wes.; "instituta," the institutions, Beza. A judgment of the human mind may become any one of these; in its development and execution, we have, with much propriety, transferred this word dogmata into our language, and here it might, in our currency, with all propriety, read, "they delivered to them the dogmata of the apostles and elders to keep." But their dogmata were always infallible, while ours are always fallible.

- 1 Κωλυθεντες ύπο του Άγιου Πνευματος. Prohibiti sunt a Spiritu Sancto ne in Asia doctrinam evangelii traderent. "By Asia here we must understand Ionia, as in ch. 2:9," Kuincel. The prohibition to proceed into Bythinia, was only the directing of Paul's course into Europe.
- k Το Πνευμα Ιησου, "the Spirit which he sends," Hackett. This appears somewhat anomalous. There is no parallel passage in the Christian Scriptures. So, however, read the Vatican, Eph., Beza, and Alex. MSS. See Wetstein and

Jerusalem. They enacted τα κεκριμενα, the judgments, "that | Birch. "Nomen Jesus in omnibus novis bibliis deletum invenitur per Nestorianos falsarios, ut claret ex bibliis tum Latinis tum Græcis ante schisma et scriptis et translatis." John Faber (Malleus Hæreticorum), ap. West. not. Penn, p. 311.

- 1 Όραμα δια της νυκτος ωφθη τω Παυλω. Όραμα is, with one exception, confined to the Acts of Apostles, being eleven times in this single book, and only once out of it, in the Christian Scriptures. Acts 7:31, it is rendered, com. ver., sight, in all other cases, vision. 'Ogasis once occurs in this book Acts, 2:17, also rendered vision. Visions are the boldest relief dreams. The eyes of the understanding are, indeed, illuminated, and the object stands out in alto relievo.
- m Εζητησαμεν. Being in the first person plural, Luke for the first time informs us, that he was one of the company that first carried the gospel into Europe. Paul alone saw the vision; the Macedonian entreating them, saying, "Cross over into Macedonia, and help us;" but they were all invited to enter into Europe.
- n Ευθυδρομησαμεν, we ran in a straight course, nautically, before the wind. Neapolis, here named, was a city of Thrace, having a harbor on the Strymonic Gulf.

course to Samothracia, and the next day to Neapolis;

12 And from thence to Philippi, which is the chief city of that part of Macedonia, and a colony: and we were in that city abiding certain days.

13 And on the sabbath we went out of the city by a river side, where prayer was wont to be made; and we sat down, and spake unto the women which resorted thither.

14 And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul.

15 And when she was baptized, and her household, she besought us, saying, If ye have GREEK TEXT.

είς Σαμοθράκην, τη τε έπιούση είς Νεάπολιν, 12 έκειθέν τε είς Φιλίππους, ήτις έστὶ πρώτη της μερίδος της Μακεδονίας πόλις κολώνια.

 3H μ ϵ ν δ $\stackrel{.}{\epsilon}$ $^{\prime}$ ϵ ν ταύτη τ $\stackrel{.}{\eta}$ πόλ ϵ ι διατρίβοντες ήμέρας τινάς, 13 τη τε ἡμέρα τῶν σαββάτων ἐξήλθομεν έξω της πόλεως παρά ποταμὸν, οδ ἐνομίζετο προσευχή είναι, καὶ καθίσαντες έλαλοῦμεν ταις συνελθούσαις γυναιξί. 14 Καί τις γυνη ονόματι Λυδία, πορφυρόπωλις πόλεως Θυατείρων, σεβομένη τον Θεον, ήκουεν ης ὁ κύριος διήνοι ξε την καρδίαν, προσέχειν τοις λαλουμένοις ύπὸ 15 ώς δὲ ἐβαπτίτοῦ Παύλου. $\sigma\theta\eta$, καὶ ὁ οἶκος αὐτῆς, παρεκά- hold, she besought us, sayλεσε λέγουσα, Ει κεκρίκατέ με ing, "Since you have judged

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course to Samothrace, and the next day to Neapolis; and 12 thence to Philippi, which is a chief city of that part of Macedonia, and a colony. And we abode in that city some days. And on the sabbath, 13 we went out of the city by the side of a priver, where there was a customary place of qprayer; and we sat down, and spoke to the women that resorted there. And a woman, named 14 *Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, who worshiped God, heard us; whose heart the Lord opened, to attend to the things spoken by Paul. And when she was 15 immersed, and her house-

- of the river Gangitas. Ήτις—κολωνια. On this river was a προσευχη, an inclosure for prayer and meditation.
 - P Gangas was then its name.
- q Προσευχη was not always a synagogue, or a building. It here appears to have been an inclosure in the open air, set apart to this use; lustrations were performed here, which at that time were usual amongst the Jews. Neander, Kuincel, Hackett.
- r Ταις συνελθουσαις γυναιξι. The probability is, that this was a temporary substitute for a synagogue, a meeting place for worship. Hence Paul spoke to ταις συνελθουσαις γυναιξι, the women assembled.
- ⁸ Και τις γυνη, κ. τ. λ. Lydia was a very common name among the Greeks and Romans. It coincides admirably with the name of her country.--Hackett.

Lydia seems to have been a proselyte to the Jews' religion. She was a Greek, according to her name; Lydia being a common name amongst the Greeks. The Lord had opened her heart, so that she attended to the preaching of the word. Therefore she believed, and was immersed, and also her household, in like manner. She was, it seems, also the head of a family. The ownos autys, as Meyer remarks, consisted probably of women who assisted her in business. Hackett. Pious Jews and proselytes had places of prayer as well as hours for prayer.

"A seller of purple cloths", from Thyatira, on the confines doubtful matter.

- Philippi lay ten miles farther west, located on the bank of Lydia and Mysia. Hnove, third pers. sing. imp., ind. of αχουω. In this, and in numerous other cases, the imperfect should be rendered in exact harmony with the time which it denotes-was hearing, or was listening to Paul; whose heart διηνοιξε, first sing. first aor., the Lord had opened, so that she attended to the preacher. It was the Lord that had arrested her attention, and opened her heart; hence she readily and joyfully received the word of the Lord, then and there announced. Hoosexeev, to attend, or to hearken, to the words uttered.
 - " O ouros is found more than one hundred times in N. T., and οικια nearly one hundred times; both are used not merely to indicate the building, but also the family. This is a very common figure in all languages ancient and modern, more prevalent, however, amongst the Jews, whose tribes and families, because of the mitre and the sceptre, were so religiously registered and kept. The owns auths, as Meyer well observes, probably consisted of females who assisted her in business.
 - " Ei nenomare is, by Hackett and others, rendered "if ye have judged," rather, since you have judged. If and since are equally the representatives of et. Frequently it would be much more intelligibly represented by since, than by if. "Since you have risen with Christ in baptism, set your affections on things above, and not on things on the earth," is much more intelligible and pointed than if, -as though it were a

judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide there: And she constrained us.

16 And it came to pass as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination, met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying;

17 The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.

18 And this did she many days. But Paul being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour.

19 And when her masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul and Silas, and drew them into the market-place unto the rulers,

20 And brought them to the

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πιστήν τῷ κυρίω είναι, είσελθόντες είς τον οἶκόν μου, μείνατε καὶ παρεβιάσατο ήμας. 16 Έγένετο δε πορευομένων ήμων είς προσευχήν, παιδίσκην τινά έχουσαν πνεθμα Πύθωνος άπαντησαι ήμιν, ήτις έργασίαν πολλην παρείχε τοις κυρίοις αύτης, μαντευομένη. 17 αΰτη κατακολουθήσασα τῷ Παύλω καὶ ἡμῖν, έκραζε λέγουσα, Οδτοι οἱ ἄνθρωποι δούλοι τού Θεού τού ύψίστου είσὶν οίτινες καταγγέλ- most high God, who show to λουσιν ήμιν όδον σωτηρίας. 18 Τοῦτο δὲ ἐποίει ἐπὶ πολλὰς this she did many days; but ήμέρας. διαπονηθείς δὲ ὁ $\Pi \alpha \hat{v}$ - Paul, voutraged, turned and λος, καὶ ἐπιστρέψας, τῷ πνεύματι εἶπε, Παραγγέλλω σοι έν τῷ ὀνόματι Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, $\epsilon \dot{\xi} \epsilon \lambda \theta \epsilon \hat{\imath} \nu \ \dot{\alpha} \pi' \ \dot{\alpha} \dot{\nu} \tau \hat{\eta} s$. $K \alpha \hat{\imath} \ \dot{\epsilon} \dot{\xi} \hat{\eta} \lambda$ - And he came out the same $\theta \epsilon \nu \ \alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \hat{\eta} \ \tau \hat{\eta} \ \omega \rho \alpha$. 19 ' $I\delta \dot{\nu} \tau \epsilon s \ \delta \dot{\epsilon}$ hour. And when the masters 19 οἱ κύριοι αὐτῆς, ὅτι ἐξῆλθεν ἡ saw that the hope of their gain έλπὶς της έργασίας αύτῶν, ἐπι- was gone, they caught Paul $\lambda \alpha \beta \delta \mu \epsilon \nu o \iota \tau \delta \nu H \alpha \hat{\nu} \lambda o \nu \kappa \alpha \hat{\iota} \tau \delta \nu$ and Silas, and drew them into Σίλαν, είλκυσαν είς τὴν ἀγορὰν the market-place, before the

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me to be faithful to the Lord. come into my house, and there remain. And she 'constrained

And as we went to prayer, 16 a certain wmaid, having a spirit of divination, met us, who brought her masters much gain by soothsaying. The same *followed Paul and 17 us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the us the way of salvation. And 18 said to the spirit, I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. έπὶ τοὺς ἄρχοντας· 20 καὶ προσ- zmagistrates. And brought 20

cibus. A similar use of παραβιαζομαι is found Luke 14:23, "compel them to come in". Socrates when urging his disciples to enter upon the arduous path of virtue, uses a similar most odious one reported in the Christian Scriptures. phrase, εγω δε επι την αρετην ήμειν βιαζομαι. Pricæus and Elsner on Luke 24:29.

w Παιδισκην τινα, represented by damsel, maid, maiden, and five times in Paul to the Galatians, bond maid, bond woman. Πνευμα Πυθωνος, a Pythonic spirit; δαιμονιον μαντικον, a fortune-telling spirit. This name is given to those persons who were believed to be able, by some Divine inspiration, to foretell future events. Plutarch on the eclipse of the oracles, p. 414, says, τους εγγαστριμυθους Ευρυκλειας παλαι, νυνι Πυθωνας προσαγορενομενοι. They were formerly called Euryclean Ventriloquists (from Eurycle, the inventor of this form of divination), but now they are called Pythians.

^{*} Αύτη κατακολουθησασα τω Παυλω, κ. τ. λ., followed after, Luke 23: 35, and here followed Paul, is its whole currency in

[·] Και παοεβιασατο ήμας, atque adeo nos coëgit, nempe pre- | I adhere like glue, pres. pass. κολλαομαι, agglutino, adhæreo, adhere with persevering assiduity. Thus was Paul and his fellow-laborers haunted with this hypocritical demon, the

y But Paul, outraged with this demon, said, Παραγγελλω σοι εν τω ονοματι Ιησου Χριστου, εξελθειν απ' αυτης. And in an instant the command was obeyed. In the name of Jesus Christ come out of her. Here, we find Jesus, and Christ, both anarthrous, not the Jesus, the Christ. This would have been, at this time and place, wholly redundant.

² These greedy dogs, seeing their demon gains forever fled, enraged, laid violent hands on Paul and Silas, and carried them before τους αρχοντας, the magistrates. These senators or magistrates of free towns were free of the city of Rome, and were eligible to all citizen privileges there. Paul and Silas were brought before the prætors, or city judgesmagistrates, or mayors, as then understood-; one was chief or president. Cicero, speaking (Agrar. Il., c. 34) of the duum-N. T. Its root is κολλα, gluten, glue, hence κολλαω glutino, viri, or quatuorviri, says, "Cum in cæteris coloniis duumviri

magistrates, saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city,

- 21 And teach customs which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to observe, being Romans.
- 22 And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, and commanded to beat them.
- 23 And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely:
- 24 Who having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.
- 25 And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

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αγαγόντες αύτους τοις στρατηγοίς, είπον, Ούτοι οι ἄνθρωποι έκταράσσουσιν ήμων την πόλιν, Ιουδαίοι υπάρχοντες 21 καὶ καταγγέλλουσιν έθη α ούκ έξεστιν ήμιν παραδέχεσθαι οὐδὲ ποιείν, 'Ρωμαίοις οὖσι. 22 Καὶ συνεπέστη ὁ ὄχλος κατ' αὐτῶν καὶ οἱ στρατηγοὶ περιβρήξαντες αύτων τὰ ἱμάτια, ἐκέλευον ῥαβδίζειν· 23 πολλάς τε έπιθέντες αὐτοις πληγάς, έβαλον είς φυλακήν, παραγγείλαντες τῷ δεσμοφύλακι, ἀσφαλῶς τηρεῖν αὐτούς: ²⁴ ὃς παραγγελίαν τοιαύτην εἰληφως, έβαλεν αύτους είς την έσωτέραν φυλακήν, καὶ τοὺς πόδας αύτῶν ἠσφαλίσατο εἰς τὸ ξύλον. 25 Klpha $\dot{\gamma}$ $\dot{\alpha}$ $\dot{\beta}$ $\dot{\epsilon}$ $\dot{\gamma}$ $\dot{\alpha}$ $\dot{\beta}$ $\dot{\epsilon}$ $\dot{\gamma}$ $\dot{\alpha}$ $\dot{\beta}$ $\dot{\epsilon}$ $\dot{\gamma}$ $\dot{\alpha}$ $\dot{\beta}$ $\dot{\epsilon}$ $\dot{\gamma}$ $\dot{\epsilon}$ $\dot{\epsilon$ λος καὶ Σίλας προσευχόμενοι ΰμνουν τον θεόν έπηκροωντο δέ αὐτῶν οἱ δέσμιοι.

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them to the magistrates, saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city, and teach *customs, which are 21 not lawful for us to receive, or to observe, being Romans. And the multitude rose up 22 together against them, and the magistrates, having torn off their garments, commanded to beat them. And when 23 they had laid many stripes on them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely; who, 24 having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the astocks. And at mid- 25 night Paul and Silas eprayed and sung praises to God; and $\delta \epsilon$ a $\delta \epsilon$ the prisoners heard them; and 26

appellentur, hi se prætores appellari volebant." This explains why the Roman prætors held the rank of the Grecian στρατηγοι, the title assumed by the Philippian magistrates. It is the only case in which Luke gives this name to the rulers of a city.

- * Εκταρασσονοιν. This word is found in the Christian Scriptures only in this passage. Ταρασσω, or ταραττω, its root, is found seventeen times, and is always represented by the word trouble. Jerusalem and its petty prince were awfully troubled when Jesus was born, as supposed, in their political sense, the predicted king of the Jews.
- b "And teach customs", $\varepsilon \vartheta \eta$. Every form of Paganism, or Polytheism, was tolerated in Rome. The gospel and its institutions alone were interdicted. It was a privilege claimed by every Roman to worship whatever god, or goddess, he pleased. Foreigners, indeed, were occasionally inhibited from introducing foreign divinities. Romans, it is said, were positively inhibited circumcision.
- ° Οἱ στρατηγοι, the magistrates, περιδόηξαντες αντων τα ξματια, having torn off their garments—those of Paul and Silas—, commanded to beat them. "The imperfect tense," as well observed by Prof. Hackett, and others, "in narration stands instead of the aorist, when the writer would represent the act as passing under his own eye." This is presumed to be one of the instances to which Paul alludes when he says, "Thrice was I beaten with rods."
- ^d Εις το ξυλον—ειληφως, perf. part. act. λαμβανω, having received this command, carried and immured them in the inner part of the prison. "And confined their feet in the stocks," Murd.; "fastened their feet in the stocks," Wakef.; "secured their feet in the stocks," Penn, Thomp., Wes., Dodd., Boothr. How definite the command, and how precise the obedience! The jailer, in the first place, conducted them into (εις) prison, the innermost prison. In the second place, he secured them into (εις) the block. He appears to have been a very conscientious and law-abiding character. The sequel, indeed, developes and consummates this character istic.
- eighty-seven times in N. T., always translated pray in some of the flections of that word. Its associate, $i\mu\nu\epsilon\omega$, is found only four times in N. T., twice translated, sing praise to God, and twice, sung a hymn. Thus, Latinized hymno, also represented by ago gratias, I give thanks; laudo, I praise; celebro, I celebrate. This was a rare occurrence. At midnight Paul and Silas praying (hymned), praised God. Enangoaomai. This word is found nowhere else in the N. T. Exaudio = $\epsilon\pi i$ and angoaomai, to hear perfectly, to listen. This is most apposite to the occasion. Listened to them while they sung. Hackett, "The imperfect describes the act, the aorist would have merely related it."

26 And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.

27 And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison-doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled.

28 But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.

29 Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas;

30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?

31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

32 And they spake unto him σαν αὐτῷ τὸν λόγον τοῦ κυρίου,

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σεισμός εγένετο μέγας, ωστε σαλευθήναι τὰ θεμέλια τοῦ δεσμωτηρίου· ἀνεώχθησάν τε παραχρημα αί θύραι πᾶσαι, καὶ πάντων τὰ δεσμὰ ἀνέθη. 27 ἔξυπνος δε γενόμενος ὁ δεσμοφύλαξ, καὶ ίδων ανεφγμένας τας θύρας της φυλακής, σπασάμενος μάχαιραν, έμελλεν έαυτον αναιρείν, νομίζων έκπεφευγέναι τους δεσμίους. ²⁸ ἐφώνησε δὲ φωνῆ μεγάλη ὁ Παῦλος λέγων, Μηδὲν πράξης σεαυτώ κακόν· απαντες γάρ 29 Αιτήσας δέ έσμεν ένθάδε. φώτα είσεπήδησε. καὶ έντρομος γενόμενος προσέπεσε τῷ Παυλω καὶ τῷ Σίλα 30 καὶ προαγαγών αὐτοὺς έξω, έφη, Κύριοι, τί με δεί ποιείν ίνα σωθώ; 31 Οι δέ είπον, Πίστευσον έπὶ τὸν κύριον Iησοῦν Xριστὸν, καὶ σωθήση σὺ καὶ ὁ οἶκός σου. 32 Καὶ ἐλάληREVISED VERSION.

suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's 'bands were loosed. And the keeper of the prison, 27 awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison-doors open, drew his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners shad fled. But Paul cried with a loud 28 voice, saying, Do yourself no harm: for we are all here. Then he called for lights, and 29 sprung in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas, and brought 30 them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do, in order to be saved? And they said, Believe 31 on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you shall be saved, and your family. And they spoke to 32 him the word of the Lord,

E Εχπεφευγεναι is here found in the perfect, because the act, though past, is connected with the present: "supposing the prisoners to have fled," or, to have escaped.

Paul, it is assumed, by most commentators, knew his voice. So Kuinœl remarks on this passage. But Morus, Rosenmüllerus, Stolzius, and others thus explain it: What must be done by me that the gods may not punish me, because I have so harshly treated men so acceptable to them? Or, to use his own words: Quid faciendum ne dii me puniant, quia viros diis adeo gratos tam duriter tractavi? But Kuinœl, and most of the more learned translators into the living tongues, thus render it: Quid mihi faciendum ut salutem æternum consequor? Col. v. 31, What must be done by me; or, What shall I do, that I may obtain eternal safety? In practical response, we read, v. 33, και εβαπτισθη αυτος και οί αυτου παντες παραχοημα. This last word immediately is necessarily connected in the context with the words exegetical of it, εν εκεινη τη ώρα της νυκτος, the jailer washed the prisoners' stripes; after which refreshment, he himself and all his household were immersed in the same hour of the night.

 $\Phi \omega \tau \alpha$. The noun is plural; whether generic or specific, it should be represented in such a case as plural.

¹ The Apostle understood him as inquiring, not for any temporal protection from the civil powers, but from the sins of his life. The answer indicates a generous and ample salvation tendered equally to himself and family. The development of this answer we have in the next verse.

Fau παντων τα δεσμα ανεθη. The opening of the doors is rather to be ascribed to the power which caused the earthquake, than to the earthquake itself.—Hackett. But the climax of the miracle is found in the last item, "the bands of every one (of every prisoner) were loosed." Aνεθη is first aor. act. of ανημι.

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h Not a few, critics and others, have perplexed themselves no little, on the question,—How could Paul, in the darkness of the prison, have known the jailer's intention? Or, how, in such circumstances, could he exclaim, "we are all here?" Doddridge supposes that Paul might have heard him exclaim, and, benevolently intending to compose his mind, addressed him. To explain miracles is not the province or work of a translator or commentator; and to compare the conceptions of a person possessing a spiritual gift, with the conceptions of any one not possessing such a gift, is quite as unphilosophic, illogical, and unsafe. "Tum Paulus alta voce acclamavit; Noli vim tibi inferre (E vocibus hominis Paulus hoc cognoverat), omnes enim hie sumus." "Then Paul, with a loud voice, said to him, Do yourself no harm, for we are all here."

the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.

33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.

34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

35 And when it was day, the magistrates sent the sergeants, saying, Let those men go.

36 And the keeper of the prison told this saying to Paul, The magistrates have sent to let you go: now, therefore, depart, and go in peace.

37 But Paul said unto them, They have beaten us openly uncondemned, being Romans, and have cast us into prison; and now do they thrust us out privily? nay, verily; but let them come themselves and fetch us out.

38 And the sergeants told these words unto the magistrates: and they feared when GREEK TEXT.

καὶ πᾶσι τοῖς ἐν τῆ οἰκία αὐτοῦ. and to all who were in his 33 καὶ παραλαβων αύτοὺς έν έκείνη τη ώρα της νυκτος έλουσεν άπο των πληγων, καὶ έβαπτίσθη αὐτὸς καὶ οἱ αὐτοῦ πάντες παραχρημα. 34 αναγαγών τε αύτους είς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ, παρέθηκε τράπεζαν, καὶ ήγαλλιάσατο πανοικὶ πεπιστευκώς τῷ Θεῷ.

35 Ήμέρας δὲ γενομένης άπέστειλαν οἱ στρατηγοὶ τοὺς ραβδούχους λέγοντες, Απόλυσον τους άνθρώπους έκείνους. 36 'Απήγγειλε δὲ ὁ δεσμοφύλαξ τούς λόγους τούτους προς τον Παῦλον, Θτι ἀπεστάλκασιν οί στρατηγοί, ίνα ἀπολυθητε· νῦν οὖν έξελθόντες, πορεύεσθε έν εἰρήνη. 37 'Ο δὲ Παῦλος ἔφη προς αυτούς, Δείραντες ήμας δημοσία, ἀκατακρίτους, ἀνθρώπους 'Ρωμαίους ὑπάρχοντας, ἔβαλον είς φυλακήν, καὶ νῦν λάθρα ήμᾶς they cast us out privately? ἐκβάλλουσιν; οὐ γάρ· άλλὰ ἐλ- Nay, indeed, but let them θόντες αὐτοὶ ἡμᾶς έξαγαγέτωσαν. 38 ' $A\nu\eta\gamma\gamma\epsilon\iota\lambda\alpha\nu$ $\delta\epsilon$ τ ois $\sigma\tau\rho\alpha\tau\eta$ - out. And the officers told 38 γοις οι ραβδούχοι τὰ ρήματα these words to the magis-

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house. And he took them 33 the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes, and was immediately immersed, he and all his family. And 34 when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his family. And when it was 35 day, the magistrates sent the officers, saying, Release those men. And the mkeeper of the 36 prison told Paul, The "magistrates have sent to release you; now, therefore, depart, and go in peace. But Paul 37 said to them, They have beaten us openly uncondemned, being Romans, and have cast us into prison, and now do come themselves, and lead us $\tau \alpha \hat{v} \tau \alpha$ καὶ $\dot{\epsilon} \phi o \beta \dot{\eta} \theta \eta \sigma \alpha \nu$ $\dot{\alpha} \kappa o \dot{v}$ - trates, and they feared when

* Αναγαγων τε αυτους εις τον οικον αύτου, παρεθηκε τρα- | word. It is found twice in his gospel, and eight times in his Acts. In the former it is translated captain, in the latter by both captain and magistrate; from this chapter to the end of the Acts it is represented by magistrate, com. ver. "Properly it is one who leads an army," but in the course of time it was extended to the magistracy-præfectus, prætor-proprie qui exercitum ducat. Beza on Acts 16:20. Græcis scriptoribus στρατηγοι dicti sunt, que Romæ prætores. Beza, in loc. Syrus, Luke 22:4. Vertit principes exercitus templi, Critica Sacra.

πεζαν, he brought them up into his house, spread his table, had a joyful feast with all his family (πανοικι), πεπιστευκώς τω Θεω, himself believing in God with his household. Hesychius et ex eo Phavorinus πανοικει (ita quoque scribitur) συν όλω τω οικω. This definition is sustained by Kuincel, in loco, note on vv. 33, 34, vol. 3, pp. 252, 253.

¹ Υαβδουχοι, lictores, who preceded the chief magistrates in their processions, clearing the way and securing to them the respect of the multitude. They also apprehended and punished criminals. Twenty-four attended a dictator, twelve preceded a consul, and six a master of the horse.

m Δεσμοφυλαξ. In the Christian Scriptures this word occurs only in this chapter, vv. 23, 27, 36, translated, v. 23, the jailer, vv. 27 and 36, the keeper of the prison.

ⁿ Στοατηγος, in the Christian Scriptures, is exclusively Luke's | fact, vol. 3, p. 253, in loco.

 $[\]circ$ Δειραντες ήμας δημοσια, ακατακριτους. Δειρας, first aor. part. act., verbi $\delta \varepsilon \rho \omega$, excorio; whence excoriate, to flay, or to wear off the skin. Such is, and such was, the current value of this word, being Romans, too! Every Roman citizen was free from stripes and every kind of torture, which was inflicted upon slaves. Kuincel abounds with examples of this

they heard that they were Ro-

39 And they came and beout, and desired them to depart out of the city.

40 And they went out of the prison, and entered into the house of Lydia: and when they had seen the brethren, they comforted them, and departed.

CHAP. XVII.

Now when they had passed through Amphipolis, and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the

- 2 And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath-days reasoned with them out of the scriptures,
- 3 Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead: and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ.

4 And some of them believed, and consorted with Paul and Si- των ἐπείσθησαν, καὶ προσεκλη- believed and *adhered to Paul

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σαντες ὅτι 'Ρωμαῖοί εἰσι, 39 καὶ έλθόντες παρεκάλεσαν αὐτοὺς, sought them, and brought them καὶ έξαγαγόντες ήρώτων έξελθεῖν της πόλεως. 40 έξελθόντες δέ έκ της φυλακης εισηλθον είς την Λυδίαν καὶ ἰδόντες τοὺς άδελφούς, παρεκάλεσαν αύτους, καὶ $\dot{\epsilon} \dot{\xi} \hat{\eta} \lambda \theta o \nu$.

CHAP. XVII.

ΔΙΟΔΕΥΣΑΝΤΕΣ δέ την 'Αμφίπολιν καὶ 'Απολλωνίαν, $\tilde{\eta}\lambda\theta$ ον είς θ εσσαλονίκην, ὅπου ην ή συναγωγη των Ἰουδαίων. 2 κατὰ δὲ τὸ εἰωθὸς τῷ Παύλω είσηλθε πρὸς αὐτοὺς, καὶ ἐπὶ σάββατα τρία διελέγετο αὐτοῖς άπὸ τῶν γραφῶν, 3 διανοίγων καὶ παρατιθέμενος, ὅτι τὸν Χριστον έδει παθείν καὶ άναστηναι έκ νεκρών, καὶ ὅτι οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ Χριστὸς Ἰησοῦς, δν έγω καταγγέλλω ύμιν. 4 Καί τινες έξ αὐREVISED VERSION.

they heard that they were Romans. And they came and 39 besought them, and led them out, and desired them to depart out of the city. And 40 they went out of the prison, and entered into the qhouse of Lydia, and when they had seen the brethren, they exhorted them, and departed.

CHAP. XVII.

Now when Paul and Silas 1 had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was the synagogue of the Jews. And Paul, as his custom 2 was, went in to them, and three sabbaths reasoned with them "from the Scriptures, opening them and setting 3 forth that the Christ must suffer, and rise again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I announce to you, is the Christ. And some of them 4

- 9 Εισηλθον εις την Αυδιαν is put for εις την Αυδιας οικον. The preposition eis, prefixed to the names of persons, indicates the place in which the person is, and that to such an extent that εις την Λυδιαν is placed for εις την Λυδιας οικον. Kænius Wesselingius ad Herod., p. 161. For εις την Λυδιαν, many books have, προς την Αυδιαν, which reading is preferred by Bengelius, Griesbachius, and Matthæius, and argued at considerable length; for no higher reason, as it seems to me, than a proof of scholarship: for there appears not the slightest difference between them.
- For they, Paul and Silas is substituted by Wakefield, as a supplement, especially due at the beginning of a new chapter, or paragraph.
- * Ή συναγωγη. Definite, we presume there was but one synagogue in that district. With the exception of Hackett, it is generally a synagogue. But why, through this book, in all other cases, translate the article in our language, and in this rere, adjungere se aliqui, to join ones'self to any one.

P Παρεκαλεσαν αυτους, και εξαγαγοντες ηρωτων. Παρακα- same chapter, v. 10 and 17, translate it, and omit it here! This appears rather more arbitrary than philological.

> Articulus emphasin habet et indicat Thessalonicæ tantum celebriorem synagogam fuisse, in reliquis Macedoniæ oppidis nonnisi proseuchas (v. ad 16, 13) at recte monuerunt. Grotius, Wetsteinius, Heumanus, Rosenmüllerus, Heinrichsius, Kuinœl.

- t Κατα δε το ειωθος τω Πανλω εισηλθε. Paul's custom was, first to visit the Jewish synagogues, before he preached the gospel to the Gentiles.
- " Not εκ, but απο, from the Scriptures; not shewing, but propounding.
- * Διανοιγων και παρατιθεμενος. In the judgment of sound critics, avras must here be understood as representing γραφας. We have, in this assumption, the concurrence of Grotius, Pricæus, Elsnerus, Morus, Rosenmüllerus, and others of minor fame, cited by Kuincel, vol. 3, p. 258. Opening and setting forth, that the Messiah, or the Christ, must suffer.
- w Προσεκληρων ησαν τω Πανλω, they adhered—sectari aliquem-or, to join ones'self to another. Philo, de Decal., p. 760, quoted by Kuincel. So Olshausen, Wahl, Robinson, Hackett, Sectatores Pauli et Silæ factæ sunt. Προσκληροεσθαι, adhæ-

λεω, in its more than hundred occurrences in N. T., is represented by beseech and entreat more frequently than by any other word.

las: and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.

- 5 But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people.
- 6 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down, are come hither also;
- 7 Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Cesar, saying, that there is another king, one Jesus.
- 8 And they troubled the people, and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.
- 9 And when they had taken security of Jason and of the other, they let them go.
- 10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who com-

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ρώθησαν τῷ Παύλῳ καὶ τῷ Σίλα, τῶν τε σεβομένων Ελλήνων π ολυ π ληθος, γυναικών τε τών of the principal women not a πρώτων οὐκ ὀλίγαι. 5 (ηλώσαντες δε οι άπειθούντες Ιουδαίοι. καὶ προσλαβόμενοι τῶν ἀγοραίων τινὰς ἄνδρας πονηρούς, καὶ όχλοποιήσαντες, έθορύβουν την πόλιν· έπιστάντες τε τῆ οἰκία Ἰάσονος, έζήτουν αὐτοὺς άγαγεῖν είς τον δημον. 6 μη ευρόντες δε αὐτοὺς, ἔσυρον τὸν Ἰάσονα καί τινας άδελφούς έπὶ τούς πολιτάρχας, βοῶντες, Ότι οἱ τὴν οικουμένην άναστατώσαντες, οδτοι καὶ ἐνθάδε πάρεισιν, 7 οὺς ύποδέδεκται Ίάσων καὶ οὗτοι πάντες ἀπέναντι τῶν δογμάτων Καίσαρος πράττουσι, βασιλέα λέγοντες έτερον είναι, Ίησοῦν. E_{τ} $\delta \epsilon = \delta \epsilon + \delta \epsilon = \delta \epsilon + \delta \epsilon = \delta \epsilon = \delta \epsilon = \delta \epsilon$ sus. And they troubled the 8 τους πολιτάρχας ἀκούοντας ταῦτα· ⁹ καὶ λαβόντες τὸ ἰκανὸν παρὰ τοῦ Ἰάσονος καὶ τῶν λοι- $\pi\hat{\omega}\nu$, $\dot{\alpha}\pi\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\nu\sigma\alpha\nu$ $\alpha\dot{\nu}\tau\dot{\nu}\dot{\nu}\varsigma$. δε άδελφοι εύθέως δια της νυκτός έξέπεμψαν τόν τε Παῦλον καὶ τον Σίλαν είς Βέροιαν· οΐτινες Silas by night to Berea, who

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and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and

But the Jews who did not 5 *believe, moved with envy, gathered some vile men of the street vidlers, and raised a mob, and set all the city in an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people; but 6 not finding them, they dragged Jason and certain brethren before the acity rulers, exclaiming, These men, who have turned the world upside down, are come hither also; whom Jason has received; and all 7 these act contrary to the bdecrees of Cæsar, saying, That there is another king,-Jepeople, and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things. And having 9 taken esecurity of Jason and the others, they dismissed them. And the brethren im- 10 mediately sent away Paul and

^{*} Απειθουντες, omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln. It is nevertheless all. We should, indeed, rather regard it due to the nation of Jews, that aneiGovvies should be a genuine reading, inasmuch specify this class was due to the nation as a whole.

y Των αγοραιων, "those street, or market-house loungers, were wont to crowd about the city gates," Hackett; "disorderly rabble," Wakef.; "mischievous men," Penn; "a mob," Murd., Thomp.; "multitude," Boothr.

^z Επι, occasionally in the com. ver. of this book, is rendered before; and in cases of this sort, it is preferable to the com. ver. to.

[·] Tovs πολιταρχας, the prefects of the city, or civil magistrates. "Eovoov violently dragged Iason before the magistrates," Thomp., Wak.; "the rulers of the city," Boothr., Penn; "chiefs of the city," Murd.

b Δογματων. Dogmata is a mere transference of this word, implied, for certainly they were unbelieving Jews, if Jews at and indicates its true import, then and now, a settled opinion: but when uttered by civil or ecclesiastic lords, it becomes magisterial, authoritative. Hence, in v. 7, it becomes the deas only a portion of that people acted in this affair, and to cree of Cesar, that is, an opinion demanding acquiescence, under a penalty. Hence, v. 8, εταραξαν, the statement alarmed them. Their character, interest, and honor were all imperilled. Hence, v. 9. λαβοντες το ίκανον, having taken security, or enough to satisfy, "that the peace should not be violated, and that the alledged authors of the disturbance should leave the city." Neander. But some restrict the stipulation to the first point (Meyer); others to the last. Kuincel. Two λοιπων, the others who, with Jason, had been brought before the tribunal. See v. 6. Hack.

[°] Λαβοντες το έκακον, we call "bail," or "security." Των λοιπων, "These others had been brought before the tribunal with Jason." Hackett.

d Δια της runtos. This indicates, impending danger ap-

ing thither, went into the syna- $\pi \alpha \rho \alpha \gamma \epsilon \nu \delta \mu \epsilon \nu \sigma \iota$, $\epsilon is \tau \dot{\eta} \nu \sigma \nu \nu \alpha$ - coming thither went into the gogue of the Jews.

11 These were more noble that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and of men not a few.

13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of God was preached of Paul at Berea, they came thither also, and stirred up the people.

14 And then immediately the brethren sent away Paul, to go as it were to the sea: but Silas

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γωγήν τῶν Ἰουδαίων ἀπήεσαν. 11 οδτοι δὲ ἦσαν εὐγενέστεροι than those in Thessalonica, in $\hat{\tau}\hat{\omega}\nu$ $\hat{\epsilon}\nu$ $\theta\epsilon\sigma\sigma\alpha\lambda\nu\nu'\kappa\eta$, $\hat{\nu}$ ed than those of Thessaloni- $|\dot{\epsilon}\delta\dot{\epsilon}\xi\alpha\nu\tau o \ \tau \dot{o}\nu \ \lambda \dot{o}\gamma o\nu \ \mu \epsilon \tau \dot{a} \ \pi \dot{a}\sigma\eta s | ca$, in that they received the $\pi\rho o\theta v\mu i\alpha s$, $\tau o \kappa \alpha \theta' \dot{\eta} \mu \dot{\epsilon} \rho \alpha \nu \dot{\alpha} \nu \alpha$ word with all readiness of κρίνοντες τὰς γραφὰς, εἰ ἔχοι mind, searching the Scrip-ταῦτα οὕτως. 12 πολλοὶ μὲν οὖν tures daily to see if these things $\epsilon \xi$ αὐτῶν $\epsilon \pi \iota \sigma \tau \epsilon \upsilon \sigma \alpha \nu$, καὶ τῶν were so. Therefore many of 12 $E\lambda\lambda\eta\nu$ ίδων γυναικών τών $\epsilon\dot{\nu}$ - them believed; also of honoraσχημόνων καὶ ἀνδρῶν οὐκ ὀλί- ble women, who were Greeks, γοι. 13 ώς δε έγνωσαν οἱ άπο and men, not a few. But 13 της Θεσσαλονίκης 'Ιουδαΐοι, ὅτι when the Jews of Thessaloniκαὶ ἐν τῆ Βεροία κατηγγέλη ὑπὸ ca knew that the word of τοῦ Παύλου ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ, God was preached by Paul $\mathring{\eta}\lambda\theta$ ον κάκε $\hat{\iota}$ σαλεύοντες τοὺς ὄχ- in Berea, they came thither Παῦλον ἐξαπέστειλαν οἱ ἀδελ- And then the brethren, imme- 14φοὶ πορεύεσθαι ώς ἐπὶ τὴν θά- diately sent away Paul even λασσαν· ὑπέμενον δὲ ος τε Σίλας to the sea. But Silas and and Timotheus abode there still. $\kappa \alpha i$ δ $T_{i}\mu \delta \theta \epsilon \sigma s$ $\epsilon \kappa \epsilon i$. 15 Oi $\delta \epsilon$ Timothy abode there still.

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synagogue of the Jews. Now 11 these were 'more noble-mind- 14 $\epsilon \dot{v}\theta \dot{\epsilon}\omega s$ $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$ $\tau \dot{o}\tau \epsilon$ $\tau \dot{o}\nu$ also, and "stirred up the rabble.

prehended. Els Begotar, Berea, now known as Verria, a times. "They shook the people" is quite as apposite as, day's journey south-west of Thessalonica.

- ' Ευγενεστεσοι, "more noble," Boothr., Dodd.; "more generous," Thomp.; "more liberal," Murd.; "more ingenuous;" Penn, Wes. More noble minded, not in the factitious nobility of earth, but in the generous sympathies of piety and humanity with the Divine will.
- f Hoodymas, readiness of mind. Readiness to will, 2 Cor. 8:11; a willing mind, 8:12; ready mind, 8:19; forwardness of mind, 9:2. Such is the N. T. currency. Alacrity, promptness of mind. Critica Sacra, "voluntarily;" Vulgate, "ex toto corde." "From the whole heart," Luther.
- g Ανακοινοντες. Ανακοινω is found five times in this book, represented by examine and search, once in Luke's gospel. In Paul's epistles it is used ten times, and is represented by discern, examine, asking a question, and judge six times. It indicates in its composition strict discriminating inquiry, examination. Κοινω, ποισις, ποιτηριον, ποιτης, ποιτικος are its family, and crime too, which it alone decides, is by affinity amongst its legalized descendants, because by it detected and exposed.
- h Σαλευοντες, to which is added by Ln., και ταρασσοντες. With two exceptions, σαλευω is represented by shake, com. ver. The exceptions are move, and stir. It is a favorite with preposition επι, is equal to έως, equivalent to the Roman us-Luke. Of its fifteen occurrences in N. Test. he uses it eight | que ad, vel recte ad. Kuinæl, in loco.

"they stirred up the people," their minds of course. But that excitement was their object, and excitement against Paul, its specific object, is not unlikely, nay, indeed, most probable; it is thought expedient to express that conception of the movement. Still if it were so, to decide the matter by a special translation is of doubtful propriety. While a license in this case may be allowed, there are not a few cases in which it would be intolerable.

ί Ως επι την θαλασσαν. Not a few interpreters—such as Beza, Grotius, Erasmus, Schmidius, Hezellius, Eckermanus, and others-think that Paul was carried to the sea-coast, as if from that region, on board of ship, he would sail to Athens; while, in fact, by a journey on foot, he would hasten on through Macedonia and Thessaly to Athens. We quote from Kuincel the following exposition of it, "Alii putant, Paulum deductum esse ad oram maris, ut illum Judæi persequi desinerent, quasi navi conscensa ex illo regione enavigasset, mox autem cum reipsa, terrestri itinere, per Macedoniam et Thessaliam Athenas contendisse. Itaque ώς επι την θαλασσαν vertunt: quasi, velut ad mare." Vol. 3, p. 261. Acts 17: 14.

Ωs επι, in this place, denotes usque ad mare, even to the sea. The Syriac, Arabic, and Æthiopic interpreters so understand this word. The particle $\omega_{\mathcal{E}}$, when accompanied by the

15 And they that conducted Paul brought him unto Athens: and receiving a commandment unto Silas and Timotheus for to come to him with all speed, they departed.

16 Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city wholly given to idolatry.

17 Therefore disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him.

18 Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoics, encountered him. some said, What will this babbler say? other some, He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection.

19 And they took him, and

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καθιστώντες τον Παθλον, ήγαγον αὐτὸν ἔως 'Αθηνῶν' καὶ λαβόντες έντολην προς τον Σίλαν καὶ Τιμόθεον, ϊνα ώς τάχιστα έλθωσι προς αύτον, έξήεσαν.

 16 'Ev $\delta \hat{\epsilon}$ $\tau \hat{\alpha is}$ 'A $\theta \hat{\eta} \hat{\nu} \hat{\alpha is}$ $\hat{\epsilon} \hat{\kappa}$ δεχομένου αὐτοὺς τοῦ Παύλου, παροξύνετο τὸ πνεθμα αὐτοθ ἐν αὐτῶ θεωροῦντι κατείδωλον οὖσαν την πόλιν. ¹⁷ διελέγετο μὲν οὖν ἐν τῆ συναγωγῆ τοῖς Ίουδαίοις καὶ τοῖς σεβομένοις, καὶ ἐν τῆ ἀγορᾶ κατὰ πᾶσαν ήμέραν πρὸς τοὺς παρατυγχάνοντας. 18 τινές δε των Έπικουρείων καὶ τῶν Στωϊκῶν φιλοσόφων συνέβαλλον αὐτῷ· καί τινες έλεγον, Τί αν θέλοι ο σπερμολόγος ούτος λέγειν; Οί δὲ, Ξένων δαιμονίων δοκεί καταγγελεὺς εἶναι· ὅτι τὸν Ἰησοῦν καὶ την ανάστασιν αύτοις εύηγγελίζετο. 19 έπιλαβόμενοί τε αὐτοῦ, REVISED VERSION.

And they who conducted 15 Paul, brought him to Athens; and having received a commandment to Silas and Timothy to come to him, as soon as possible, they departed.

Now while Paul was wait- 16 ing for them at Athens, his spirit was 'roused in him, when he saw the city wholly devoted to idols. Therefore 17 he disputed in the synagogue, with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market, daily, with those who met with him. certain philosophers of the "Epicureans and of the Stoics encountered him; and some said, what would this "chatterer say; and others, he seems to be a publisher of oforeign gods, because he announced to them Jesus and the Resurrection. Now they 19 took him and brought him to brought him unto Areopagus, $|\epsilon \pi i + \tau o \nu|^{2} A \rho \epsilon_{io} \nu \pi \alpha \gamma o \nu \eta \gamma \alpha \gamma o \nu$ the PAreopagus, saying, Can

There were many Forums in Athens. Of these two were most celebrated, called Vetus et Novum, the old and the New.

philosophers encountered Paul.

Like the Jewish Sadducees, these Epicureans were very great triflers, or frivolous persons. "Dum vivimus, vivamus," was their oracle.

ⁿ A babbler, one uttering scraps on any subject. So they understood his quotations from the Jewish Scriptures.

Ό οπερμολογος, garrulus. "Non απο του σπειρείν τους loyous, but rather παρα το λεγειν σπερματα, quasi seminilegas dicas, quod sata in agris depascantur; metaphora a passerculis, aliisque aviculis sumpta, quæ neque magnopere sunt esui, neque cantu delectant, sed garritu perpetuo sunt molestæ." Beza. "Demosthenes addressed Æschines by the same name, three hundred years before Paul was there." Broughton on the Revelation, quoted in Critica Sacra.

- o Foreign gods, and new gods, unknown before, are supposed by them to have been indicated by τον Ιησουν και την αναστασιν. These words, in their polytheistic ears, sounded as though a male and female Divinity were intended.
- P Λοειον παγον, a rocky eminence, west of the Acropolis. m Tives δε Επικουφείων και των Στοϊκων φιλοσοφων συνε. Επι is often represented by to and upon. They placed him

¹ Παροξυνετο το πνευμα. Παροξυνομαι, found here and βαλον αυτώ, certain ones, or, some of the Epicurean and Stoic once 1 Cor. 13:5, his spirit was provoked (as the word is rendered com. ver., 1 Cor. 13:5), excited, stirred up, εν αυτφ, in him. It was, however, suppressed. He addressed them very courteously.

k Κατειδωλον. One of the many άπαξ λεγομενα of this book of Acts. "Wholly addicted," or "wholly given," is pleonastic, but no more than called for. Petronius, a contemporary of Paul, in his 17th Satire, makes Quartilla say of Athens, "You can more easily find a god than a man in Athens."

¹ Paul found a synagogue in Athens, and a way into the Agora, or Forum. There was no called auditory. He spoke προς τους παρατυγχανοντας, to those who happened to be there. Cicero, de oratore, 1:4, calls the Athenians the inventers of all learning. His words are, "Athenæ omnium doctrinarum inventrices." And in his oration for Flaccus, c. 26, he says: "humanity, religion, learning, institutions and laws, whose monuments are known and diffused throughout the world, all originated in Athens."

saying, May we know what this new doctrine, whereof thou speakest, is?

20 For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears; we would know therefore what these things mean.

21 (For all the Athenians and strangers which were there, spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing.)

22 Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars-hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too super-

23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

24 God that made the world, that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he need- υπο χειρών ἀνθρώπων θεραπεύε- ministered to by men's hands,

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λέγοντες, Δυνάμεθα γνώναι, τίς ή καινή αῦτη ή ὑπὸ σοῦ λαλουμένη διδαχή; ²⁰ ξενίζοντα γάρ τινα εἰσφέρεις εἰς τὰς ἀκοὰς ήμῶν· βουλόμεθα οὖν γνῶναι, τί αν θέλοι ταῦτα εἶναι. 21 ' $A\theta\eta$ ναίοι δὲ πάντες καὶ οἱ ἐπιδημουντες ξένοι είς ούδεν έτερον εύκαίρουν, η λέγειν τι καὶ άκούειν καινότερον.

22 Σταθείς δε ο Παῦλος εν μέσω τοῦ 'Αρείου πάγου, ἔφη, "Ανδρες 'Αθηναΐοι, κατά πάντα ώς δεισιδαιμονεστέρους ύμας θεωρῶ. 23 διερχόμενος γὰρ καὶ ἀναθεωρών τὰ σεβάσματα ύμών, εδρον καὶ βωμον έν ῷ ἐπεγέγραπτο, 'Αγνώστω Θεώ. ον οὐνάγνοοῦντες εὐσεβεῖτε, τοῦτον έγω καταγγέλλω ύμιν. 24 ο Θεος ο and all things therein, seeing ποιήσας τον κόσμον καὶ πάντα τὰ ἐν αὐτῷ, οὖτος οὐρανοῦ καὶ γης κύριος ύπάρχων, ούκ έν χειροποιήτοις ναοίς κατοικεί, 25 οὐδὲ

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we know what this new doctrine is, of which you speak? For you bring some strange 20 things to our ears. We wish, therefore, to know what these things mean.

For all Athenians and stran-21 gers who were there, spent their time in nothing else, but either in telling or hearing some new thing. Then Paul 22 stood up in othe midst of the Areopagus, and said; Athenians! I perceive that, in every respect, you are *exceedingly devotional. For as I 23 passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found an altar with this inscription, To AN UNKNOWN God: him, therefore, whom you, not knowing, worshin T declare to you.

God who "made the world 24 and all things in it, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and of earth, dwells not in temples made with hands; neither is 25

upon, or brought him to, the Areiopagus, or Mars Hill, not to | —a worshiper of demon gods. Δεισιδαιμονια, superstition. the court so called.

Concurring in opinion with Doddridge, Calvin, Neander, De Wette, Kuinœl, Winer, Hackett, and sundry other scholars and critics, that Paul is not standing on trial before the Areiopagus, or supreme court of Athens, but standing in sight of its temple of justice, we regard his discourse as a popular address, and not as a defense before a civil or judicial tribunal.

- ^q Εν μεσφ του Αφείου παγου, the highest court of justice in Athens, which had specially the cognizance of whatever respected religion. But in the judgment of our most sober critics, it remains uncertain whether Ageiov mayov here represents a place, or an assembly, the hill, or the court assembled on it
- r Κατα παντα is well rendered, "in every respect", by Hackett. "From every thing I see," Thomp.; "in all things," Murd.; "altogether," Wakef.; "by all things," Penn; "in all places," Boothr.
- · We quote the following judicious exposition of this word from Leigh's Crit. Sacra. Δεισιδαιμονεστερος, "Too full of demons already, I shall not need to bring any more among you words.

Timor Dei inanis, Cicero. This word is found Acts 25:19. Superstitiosior, Vulgate. Per trope, dévotieux, French vulgate. In the margin, "Le mot signifie, qui est exposé envers, afin qu'on y rende quelque service de religion." See Critica Sacra. More religious than others. "He (Paul) announced himself as one that would guide their δεισιδαιμονία, not rightly conscious of its object and aim, by a revelation of the object to which it thus ignorantly tended." Neander.

- t Αναθεωρων τα σεβασματα ύμων, they had gone beyond their contemporaries in erecting an altar to "the unknown God." This justified the ingratiatory manner in which Paul addressed them. No other city, or people, had thus confessed their ignorance and their devotion. It was a grand conception, to erect an altar to the GREAT UNKNOWN in the centre of Grecian civilization!
- ". Ουκ εν χειροποιητοις ναοις κατοικει. Stephen, in Acts 7:48, uses the same phrase which Paul here uses, having for its subject, ὁ ύψιστος—εν χειροποιητοις ναοις κατοικει. Luke is, doubtless, the author, as well as the reporter of these

ed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation:

27 That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:

28 For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

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ται προσδεόμενός τινος, αυτός as though he needed anything, διδούς πασι ζωήν και πνοήν κατά πάντα· 26 έποίησε τε εξ ενος αίματος παν έθνος ανθρώπων, κατοικείν έπὶ πᾶν τὸ πρόσωπον τῆς γῆς, ὁρίσας προτεταγμένους καιρούς καὶ τὰς ὁροθεσίας τῆς κατοικίας αὐτῶν. 27 ζητεῖν τὸν κύριον, εὶ ἄρα γε ψηλαφήσειαν αύτὸν καὶ εὕροιεν, καίτοιγε οὐ μακράν ἀπὸ ένὸς έκάστου ἡμῶν ύπάρχοντα. 28 έν αὐτῷ γὰρ ζῶμεν καὶ κινούμεθα καί έσμεν. ώς καί τινες τῶν καθ' ὑμᾶς ποιη- have our being; as even some τῶν εἰρήκασι, Τοῦ γὰρ καὶ γένος of your own poets have said; έσμέν. 29 Γένος οὖν ὑπάρχοντες τοῦ Θεοῦ, οὐκ ὀφείλομεν νομί-(ειν χρυσφ ή άργύρφ ή λίθφ, χαράγματι τέχνης καὶ ένθυμήσεως άνθρώπου, το θείον είναι ομοιον. 30 Τους μεν οθν χρόνους της άγνοίας ύπεριδων ό θεὸς, τανῦν παραγγέλλει τοῖς God voverlooked, but now comάνθρώποις πᾶσι πανταχού μετα- mands all men every where,

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seeing he gives to all, life and breath, and all things; and 26 has made of one blood every nation of men, to dwell on all the face of the earth, having determined the appointed seasons and limits of their abode; that they should seek the 27 Lord, if, perhaps, they might feel after him and find him; although, indeed, he is not far from any one of us; for by 28 him we live, and move, and "For we, indeed, his offspring

Since, then, we are the off- 29 spring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like to gold or silver, graved by art or man's device. And 30 the times of this ignorance

Προστεταγμένοι καιροι are constituted, or "decreed times," Boothr.; "condemning," Wakef.

* Όρισας προτεταγμενους---or, προστεταγμενους, Gb., Sch., and "the bounds of their habitation." Dr. Clark adds, "Every nation had its lot thus appointed of God, as truly as Israel had its land. But the removal of the Jews by the Saracens, the Saracens by the Turks, the Greeks by the Romans, the Romans by the Goths and Vandals, and so of others, show, that a people may forfeit their original inheritance." This, we presume, is a conceded point. The approved reading, I concur with Dr. Hackett, is, προστεταγμεvovs, rather than προτεταγμενους, common Text.

> w Tov yao kai yevos equer, For we, indeed, his offspring are. These words are the first half of a hexameter found in Aratus, a Cicilian poet, whose poem antedates Christ some 270 years.

> * Paul concedes its truth. The same idea is also found in other Greek writers. Prof. Hackett quotes from the hymn of Cleanthus, addressed to Jupiter Tonans, almost the same words, "εκ σου γας γενος εσμεν." Paul, in his manner of quotation, generalizes the idea, using the words, Tives Elonнаог, certain Greeks have said, etc.

> γ Υπεριδων. In the Septuagint its most common import is, "contemn, permitted, suffered," Kuin. "Overlooked,"

Ln., Tf.; a more approved reading, xaigous, etc. "Having determined the appointed times, and the boundaries of their habitations," Penn. "Having fixed from the first the appointed times and boundaries of their habitations," Wakef. "And he hath separated the seasons by his ordinance; and hath set bounds to the residence of men," Murd. "Having marked out times previously arranged in order, and the boundaries of their habitations for them to seek the Lord," Thomp. "And hath determined their appointed times, and the bounds of their habitations, that they might seek God." Boothr. "Having marked out the times fore-allotted, and boundaries of their habitations," Dodd. We see nothing gained or lost to rival theorists in their controversies on these words. According to Adam Clark, instead of προτεταγμένους καιρούς, the times before appointed, ABDE and more than forty other MSS., with the Syriac, all the Arabic, the Coptic, Aethiopic, Slavonian, Vulgate, and Itala, read προστεταγμενους καιρους, the appointed times. The difference is, προτασσείν is to "place before others," but προστασσειν is to "command, decree, or appoint."

31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness, by that man whom he hath ordained: whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

32 And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear thee again of this matter.

33 So Paul departed from among them.

34 Howbeit, certain men clave unto him, and believed: among the which was Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

CHAP. XVIII.

After these things, Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth;

2 And found a certain Jew

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νοείν. 31 διότι έστησεν ημέραν, έν ή μέλλει κρίνειν την οἰκουμένην έν δικαιοσύνη. έν άνδρὶ ώ ώρισε, πίστιν παρασχών πασιν, άναστήσας αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν. 32 'Ακούσαντες δὲ άνάστασιν νεκρών, οἱ μὲν ἐχλεύαζον· οἱ δὲ εἶπον, 'Ακουσόμεθά σου πάλιν περὶ τούτου. 33 Καὶ οὕτως ὁ Παῦλος ἐξῆλθεν ἐκ μέσου αὐ- $\tau\hat{\omega}\nu$. 34 $\tau\iota\nu\hat{\epsilon}s$ $\delta\hat{\epsilon}$ $\check{a}\nu\delta\rho\epsilon s$ $\kappa\circ\lambda\lambda\eta$ θέντες αὐτῷ, ἐπίστευσαν ἐν οἷς καὶ Διονύσιος ὁ ᾿Αρεοπαγίτης, καὶ γυνη ὀνόματι Δάμαρις, καὶ έτεροι σύν αύτοις.

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ΜΕΤΑ δὲ ταῦτα χωρισθεὶς ο Παῦλος ἐκ τῶν ᾿Αθηνῶν ἦλθεν είς Κόρινθον· 2 καὶ ευρών τινα 'Ιουδαῖον ὀνόματι 'Ακύλαν, Πονnamed Aquila, born in Pontus, τικον τώ γένει, προσφάτως έληlately come from Italy, with his λυθότα ἀπὸ τῆς Ἰταλίας, καὶ wife Priscilla, (because that Clau- Πρίσκιλλαν γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ, διὰ dius had commanded all Jews to το διατεταχέναι Κλαύδιον χωρίdepart from Rome) and came (εσθαι πάντας τους 'Ιουδαίους έκ $au\hat{\eta}_{\mathcal{S}}$ ' $P\omega\mu\eta_{\mathcal{S}}$, $\pi
ho \sigma\hat{\eta}\lambda heta\epsilon
u$ autois: 3 And because he was of the $\frac{3}{8}$ $\kappa \alpha i \delta i \dot{\alpha} \tau \dot{\alpha} \dot{\alpha} \dot{\alpha} \dot{\gamma} \dot{\alpha} \dot{\alpha} \dot{\gamma} \dot{\alpha} \dot{\alpha}$

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to reform. Because he has 31 appointed a day, in which he will judge the world in righteousness, by that man whom he has appointed, giving assurance to all, having raised him from the dead. And when 32 they heard of a resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, we will hear you again concerning this matter. So Paul departed from 33 among them. But *certain 34 persons adhered to him and believed: among whom, was Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

CHAP. XVIII.

After these things Paul 1 left Athens, and went to Co-And having found a 2 certain Jew named aAquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla, (because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to depart from Rome), he came to them. And because he was 3

* Εν ανδοι φ ώρισε, by the man whom he has appointed. Because a definite clause follows ardor, he omits the article. Stuart's Gram., § 88, 3. \$\phi\$ stands by attraction for the accusative.

Κοινειν την οικουμενην. Οικουμενην occurs eighteen times in N. T., represented by world fourteen times, and earth once. "Judge all the earth," Murd.; "The world," Thomp., Wes., Penn, Boothr., cum multis aliis.

Dolor, appointed, or decreed; define is its most exact representative. So decides Crit. Sacra, "definio, Heb. 4:7, item definire certo scopo destinare."

· Τινες δε ανδρες πολληθεντες, aliquot autem viri se ei Corinth. adjunxerunt.

presented by join, three times by cleave, and once, to "keep company." These are all, more or less, antiquated, for which Christian, as reads the decree of Claudius.

we now substitute the word associate, in all cases of companionship; "associated with him" is only tolerable, and does not quite express the full sense.

b Areopagite, one of the judges of the court at the Areopagus. Tradition says, by Eusebius, that he was afterwards bishop of the church in Athens, and died as a martyr.

° O Mavlos is rejected by Ln., Tf. Paul is, however, the subject of the narrative. His name is, therefore, found in almost all the versions, Wiclif, Tynd., Cran., Geneva, Dodd., Thomp., Wakef., Wes., Murd., Boothr. Hlder Eis Kooirdor -χωρισθεις, having left, or removed from, Athens, came to

d Ονοματι Ακυλαν. Ακυλας is a Latin name. He was a Κολλαω, in its ten occurrences, N. Test., is six times re- Jew, a σχηνοποιος, a tent-maker; τινα Ιουδαιον, a Jew by birth, now a Christian; exiled, indeed, as a Jew, not as a

same craft, he abode with them, and wrought, (for by their occupation they were tent-makers.)

- 4 And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.
- 5 And when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul was pressed in the spirit, and testified to the Jews, that Jesus was Christ.
- 6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook his raiment, and said unto them, Your blood be upon your own heads: I am clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.

7 And he departed thence, and entered into a certain man's house, named Justus, one that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.

8 And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house: and many of the Corinthians hearing, believed, and were baptized.

9 Then spake the Lord to

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έμενε παρ' αὐτοῖς καὶ εἰργά(ετο· ήσαν γὰρ σκηνοποιοί τὴν τέχνην. 4 διελέγετο δὲ ἐν τη συναγωγή κατὰ πᾶν σάββατον, ἔπειθέ τε Tουδαίους καὶ "Eλληνας. $^{\circ}$ $\Omega_{ extsf{S}}$ δὲ κατῆλθον ἀπὸ τῆς Μακεδονίας δ τε Σίλας καὶ ὁ Τιμόθεος, συνείχετο τῷ πνεύματι ὁ Παῦλος, διαμαρτυρόμενος τοις 'Ιουδαίοις τον Χριστον Ίησοῦν. 6 αντιτασσομένων δε αύτων καὶ βλασφημοῦντων, έτιναξάμενος τὰ ἱμάτια, εἶπε πρὸς αὐτοὺς, Τὸ αξμα ύμῶν ἐπὶ τὴν κεφαλὴν ὑμῶν καθαρὸς έγω, ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν είς τὰ έθνη πορεύσομαι. 7 Kαὶ μεταβας έκειθεν ήλθεν είς οικίαν τινος ονόματι 'Ιούστου, σεβομένου τον $\Theta \epsilon \delta \nu$, ob $\dot{\eta}$ olkía $\dot{\eta} \nu$ συνομορούσα 8 $K \rho i \sigma \pi o s \delta \epsilon \delta$ τῆ συναγωγῆ. άρχισυνάγωγος ἐπίστευσε τῷ κυρίω συν δλω τω οἴκω αύτου καὶ πολλοὶ τῶν Κορινθίων ἀκούοντες ἐπίστευον καὶ ἐβαπτίζοντο. 9 Eἶ $\pi\epsilon$ δ $\grave{\epsilon}$ ὁ κύριος δι' ὁράματος Paul in the night by a vision, $|\vec{\epsilon}\nu| \nu \nu \kappa \tau \hat{\iota} \tau \hat{\omega} H \alpha \nu \lambda \omega$, $M \hat{\eta} \phi \circ \beta \circ \hat{\nu}$,

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of the same trade, he abode with them, and oworked: for by occupation they were tentmakers. And he reasoned in 4 the synagogue every sabbath. and endeavored to persuade both Jews and Greeks. But 5 when Silas and Timothy were gcome from Macedonia, Paul constrained in spirit, earnestly testifying to the Jews, that Jesus was the Christ.

And when they resisted and 6 reviled, he shook his raiment, and said to them, Your blood be on your own heads. I am. Henceforth I will go to the Gentiles. And he 7 departed thence, and entered into the house of a certain man named Justus, who worshiped God, whose house was adjacent to the synagogue. But Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his bfamily: and many of the Corinthians, hearing, believed, and were immersed. Then 9 the Lord said to Paul in a vision by night, Be not afraid,

binson, prefer, "the word," and so do we. But we follow copy, in this case, however, doubtfully. Paul was, no doubt, much stirred up by the presence of Silas and Timothy, and became more fervent in spirit.

Συνεχω occurs twelve times in N. T. In nine of these it is used by Luke, translated, com. ver., by taken with thronged, straitened, kept in, held, stopped their ears, that is, "held them." "Lay sick of a fever," or, seized by a fever. Elsewhere by straiten, constrain, taken with, or seized. Murdock's version of the Syriac renders this passage, "Paul was impeded in discourse, because the Jews stood up against him and reviled, as he testified to them that Jesus is the Messiah." This indicates that it was word, and not spirit, in his understanding of the Peshito Syriac version, the oldest known.

^{*} Ειργαζετο, worked for his subsistence. 'Ομοτεχνος, prac- | Hackett, the Vulgate, Kuincel, Olshausen, De Wette, and Rotised the same art or trade. $T_{\eta\nu}$ $\tau \epsilon \chi \nu \eta \nu$, a limiting accusative like τον-τροπον, in Jude, v. 7. Hackett. The Jewish law, after their exile, held that a father who taught not his son a trade, taught him to be a thief. So the latter Rabbis taught.

f Έλληνας, Greek proselytes; επειθε, persuaded, or was persuading, tried to persuade the Jews. "Persuaded the Jews and Gentiles," Murd.; "conciliated the affections," Thomp.; "striving to persuade," Penn; "endeavored to persuade," Boothr.

g Κατηλθον, came down (Silas and Timothy). Συνειχετο τω πνευματι ὁ Παυλος, Paul was pressed in spirit. For πνευματι Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. prefer λογφ. "The evidence decides for τω λογω as the original word, Griesbach, Mey., Tf." Hack. Our text prefers, τφ πνευματι. Should we prefer Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tischendorf's selected readings, we should read it, "Paul was engrossed with the word." With our text, we render it, "was impelled by the Spirit," or, his own spirit. | servants, as it does in the Septuagint of O. Test.

h Συν όλφ τφ οικφ αύτου, with all his family. Such is the frequent acceptation of owos in the Christian Scriptures, indicating the parents and the children, the masters and the

Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace:

10 For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee, to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.

11 And he continued there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

12 And when Gallio was the deputy of Achaia, the Jews made insurrection with one accord against Paul, and brought him to the judgment-seat.

13 Saying, This fellow persuadeth men to worship God contrary to the law.

14 And when Paul was now about to open his mouth, Gallio said unto the Jews, If it were a matter of wrong, or wicked lewdness, O ye Jews, reason would that I should bear with you:

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άλλα λάλει καὶ μη σιωπήσης. ¹⁰ διότι έγώ είμι μετὰ σοῦ, καὶ ούδεὶς ἐπιθήσεταί σοι τοῦ κακῶσαί σε διότι λαός έστί μοι πολυς έν τη πόλει ταύτη. 11 Έκάθισέ τε ένιαυτον καὶ μήνας εξ. διδάσκων έν αυτοίς του λόγον $\tau o \hat{v} \theta \epsilon o \hat{v}$.

12 Γαλλίωνος δε άνθυπατεύοντος της 'Αχαίας, κατεπέστησαν όμοθυμαδον οἱ Ἰουδαῖοι τῷ Παύλω, καὶ ήγαγον αὐτὸν έπὶ τὸ βημα 13 λέγοντες, "Οτι παρὰ τον νόμον οθτος άναπείθει τους άνθρώπους σέβεσθαι τον Θεόν. 14 $M\epsilon$ λλοντος δ ϵ το \hat{v} Hα \acute{v} λοvάνοίγειν τὸ στόμα, εἶπεν ὁ Γαλλίων προς τους Ιουδαίους, Εί μεν οὖν ἦν ἀδίκημά τι ἢ ράδιούργημα πονηρον, & Ιουδαίοι, κατὰ λόγον ἂν ἠνεσχόμην ὑμῶν bear with you.

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but speak, and be not 'silent; for I am with you, and no 10 man shall assail vou to hurt you: for I have many people in this city. And he con- 11 tinued there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

And when Gallio was gov- 12 erning Achaia as proconsul, the Jews, with one consent, made insurrection against Paul, and brought him to the judgment-seat, saying, This ifellow persuades 13 men to worship God contrary to the law.

And as Paul was about 14 to open his mouth, Gallio said to the Jews, Were it, indeed, a matter of mwrong, or a wicked act, Jews, it would be reasonable that I should

The passage here referred to is, όσοι ησαν τεταγμενοι εις ζωην αιωνιον. The orthodoxy of Prof. Hackett is unquestionably apparent, we know it well. Still "the many who are appointed to be such," is unnecessarily exegetical of what is not in the text, nor in the context. We know no passage in Luke's writings in which he presumes to draw upon the secrets of a volume in the cabinet of heaven, that has not a transcript in any library in our planetary system which can be consulted by man. One thing is historically and critically plain, that the Lord had all the people in Corinth. They were all his, and it was a large population. Hence in the ratio of population should all Christian efforts be made.

κ Ανθυπατευοντος της Αχαΐα, "was governing Achaia as proconsul," Hackett. Ανθυπατενω, Proconsul sum, I govern as proconsul. Gallio, brother of Seneca the moralist, formerly called Novatus, was exceedingly bland and kind to all. "Nemo mortalium uni tam dulcis quam hic omnibus," said Seneca, his brother. Does not Luke here corroborate Seneca, and Seneca | trates both ideas, as we presume.

i Mη σιωπησχε, do not be silent, or, be not silent. The Luke? No man so agreeably affable to one man, as he was to every one.

> Όμοθυμαδον, unanimously, with one mind, with one accord, com. ver. Κατεπεστησαν-κατεφιστημι, an άπαξ λεγομενον, insurgo, made insurrection, rose up against.

- 1 The indictment against Paul was, this person, fellow, as implied in the word ovros, literally, this one. In the vocative it is used for heus tu-alas for you! Littleton, "scornfully." "This one," "this fellow," Dodd., Wes., Tynd., Cran., Gen. Αναπειθει, persuades men to worship God contrary to law. All persecutions are prompted and defended on such allegations. Persuadeo-whence comes Pitho, the goddess of eloquence—Latin suada unde suadæ, medulla. Crit. Sacra.
- m Αδικημα, here only found, and in ch. 24:20; Apoc. 18:5, matter of wrong, evil doing, iniquity. Such is its whole currency in N. T., connected with δαδιουργημα, an άπαξ λεγομενον. Υαδιουργια, ch. 13:10, com. ver., mischief, a reckless wicked deed. Here it is represented by facinus, malum. Crit. Sacra. "Injury, or evil practice," Penn; "injustice, or wicked heinousness," Wes.; "fraud, or base act," Murd.; "legally, or ethically," Hack. Any gross enormity, outrage. Aoyos indicates any communication, word, doctrine, saying, question, matter, fame, account, treatise, thing, intent, tidings speech, reason, utterance, preaching, act of injustice, or wicked mischief. Dodd. Matter of wrong, or wicked act, concen-

latter is more imperative than the former, and less persuasive.

i Επιθησεται σοι, and no one shall attack thee, telic, to injure thee. "No one shall attempt it with success, or, ecbatic, so as to injure thee," De Wette, Hackett. Διοτι λαος εστι μοι πολυς, "I have much people," i. e., "many who are appointed to be such. See ch. 13:48." Hack.

15 But if it be a question of words and names, and of your law, look ye to it: for I will be no judge of such matters.

16 And he drave them from

the judgment-seat.

17 Then all the Greeks took Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat him before the judgment-seat. And Gallio cared for none of those things.

18 And Paul after this tarried there yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and sailed thence into Syria, and with him Priscilla, and Aquila; having shorn his head in Cenchrea: for he had a vow.

19 And he came to Ephesus, and left them there: but he himself entered into the synagogue. and reasoned with the Jews.

20 When they desired him to tarry longer time with them, he consented not:

21 But bade them farewell, saying, I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem: but I will return again unto you, if God will. And he sailed from Ephesus.

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 15 ϵi $\delta \epsilon$ $(\eta \tau \eta \mu \alpha \epsilon \sigma \tau \iota \pi \epsilon \rho \iota \lambda \delta \gamma o v)$ it be a question concerning καὶ ὀνομάτων καὶ νόμου τοῦ καθ΄ ύμας, όψεσθε αὐτοί κριτής γαρ έγὼ τούτων οὐ βούλομαι εἶναι. 16 Καὶ ἀπήλασεν αὐτοὺς ἀπὸ τοῦ ¹⁷ έπιλαβόμενοι δὲ βήματος. $\pilpha
u au\epsilon$ ς οἱ ${}^\sigma\!\dot{E}\lambda\lambda\eta
u\epsilon$ ς $\Sigma\omega\sigma heta\epsilon
u\eta
u$ τον άρχισυνάγωγον έτυπτον έμπροσθεν τοῦ βήματος καὶ οὐδὲν τούτων τῷ Γ αλλίωνι ἔμελεν.

18 ' Ο ΔΕ Παῦλος ἔτι προσμείνας ήμέρας ίκανας, τοις άδελφοις αποταξάμενος, έξέπλει είς την Συρίαν, καὶ σὺν αὐτῷ Πρίσκιλλα καὶ 'Ακύλας, κειράμενος την κεφαλην έν Kεγχρεαῖς \cdot εἶχε γαρ εύχήν. 19 κατήντησε δε είς $E\phi$ εσον, κάκείνους κατέλι π εν αύτου: αύτος δὲ εἰσελθων εἰς την συναγωγην, διελέχθη τοῖς Ἰου-20 έρωτώντων δὲ αὐτῶν έπὶ πλείονα χρόνον μειναῖ παρ' $\alpha \dot{v} \tau o i s$, $o \dot{v} \kappa \dot{\epsilon} \pi \dot{\epsilon} \nu \epsilon v \sigma \epsilon \nu$ ²¹ $\dot{\alpha} \lambda \lambda$ άπετάξατο αὐτοῖς, εἰπὼν, Δεῖ με πάντως την έορτην την έρχομένην ποιήσαι είς Ίεροσόλυμα. πάλιν δε άνακάμψω προς ύμας, to you again, if God will; τοῦ Θεοῦ θέλοντος. Καὶ ἀνήχθη and he sailed from Ephesus.

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a doctrine, and names, and your law, look you to it: for I will not be a rjudge of these matters. And he odrove them 16 from the judgment-seat. Then 17 all the Greeks took Sosthenes, the ruler of the synagogue, and beat him before the judgment-seat: and Gallio cared for none of these things.

And Paul tarried yet many 18 days, and, having bid adieu to the brethren, sailed forth into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shorn his head in Cenchrea: for he had a vow. And 19 he came into Ephesus, and left them there. But he himself, entering into the synagogue, reasoned with the Jews, and though they re- 20 quested him to remain longer time with them, he did not consent: but bade them farewell, 21 saying, I must by all means keep the approaching feast at Jerusalem: but I will return

Oυ βουλομαι, I will not be a judge. Ει δε ζητημα εστι | This omission conceded, it would read, And they all beat Sosthenes the president, or ruler of the synagogue.

Ουδεν τουτων, the dispute between the Jews and Gentiles.

- ⁹ Ετι-ήμερας ίκανας. See note on ίκανος, ch. 19: 26.
- r Παρ' αυτοις, omitted by Ln., Tf. Its presence or absence affects not the sense.

περι λογου και ονοματων και νομου του καθ' ύμας, οψεσθε avior. To translate this climax of Gallio in the spirit of it, As we conceive of it, spirit and letter, we prefer the following, If it be a question concerning a word, and of names, and of the law amongst you, look to it yourselves: for I will not be a judge of such matters. It will not materially affect the spirit, or the import of it, should we adopt the marginal reading in the text, according to Ln., Tf. and Gb., and make it plural instead of singular, If it be questions concerning a word (or even of a doctrine). We prefer word, as more apposite to his conceptions and spirit on the occasion.

[·] Απηλασεν, from απηλαω, an άπαξ λεγομενον in this book. He drove them away, compelling their departure.

P Oi Ellques, omitted by Ln., Tf., Gb., a probable omission.

[&]quot;Sosthenes was probably the successor of Crispus, v. 8, or, without impinging upon the letter of it, is a desideratum, as Briscoe conjectures, may have belonged to another synagogue in the city. The Greeks, always ready to manifest their hatred to the Jews, singled him out as the object of their personal resentment." Hack.

Ανηχθη—αναγω, 1st aor. 3d pers., and he sailed from Ephesus. Avayw is represented by led up, brought, launched forth, loosed, offered, and by sailed, in com. ver., three times. Its meaning is often made contingent upon its associations. Here, being connected with traveling on water, it is represented by sailed.

at Cesarea, and gone up and saluted the church, he went down to Antioch.

23 And after he had spent some time there, he departed and went over all the country of Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all the disciples.

24 And a certain Jew, named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, and mighty in the scriptures, came to Ephesus.

25 This man was instructed in the way of the Lord: and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.

26 And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom, when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.

27 And when he was disposed to pass into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who, when he was come, helped them much which had believed through grace.

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22 And when he had landed $|\dot{\alpha}\pi\dot{\alpha}$ $\tau\hat{\eta}s$ ' $E\phi\dot{\epsilon}\sigma ov$ ²² $\kappa\alpha\dot{\alpha}$ $\kappa\alpha\tau\epsilon\lambda$ θων είς Καισάρειαν, άναβας καὶ άσπασάμενος την έκκλησίαν, 23 *καὶ* κατέβη είς 'Αντιόχειαν. ποιήσας χρόνον τινα, έξηλθε, διερχόμενος καθεξής την Γαλατικήν χώραν καὶ Φρυγίαν, έπιστηρίζων πάντας τους μαθητάς.

24 'Ιουδαίος δέ τις 'Απολλώς ονόματι, 'Αλεξανδρεύς τῷ γένει, άνηρ λόγιος, κατήντησεν είς EΦεσον, δυνατὸς ὧν ἐν ταῖς 25 $o\tilde{b}\tau os$ $\tilde{\eta}\nu$ $\kappa \alpha \tau \eta \chi \eta$ μένος την όδον του κυρίου, καὶ ζέων τῷ πνεύματι, ἐλάλει καὶ έδίδασκεν άκριβώς τὰ περ**ὶ** τοῦ κυρίου, ἐπιστάμενος μόνον τὸ βάπτισμα Ἰωάννου· 26 οὖτός τε ήρξατο παρρησιάζεσθαι έν τῆ συναγωγή. ἀκούσαντες δὲ αὐτοῦ 'Ακύλας καὶ Πρίσκιλλα, προσελάβοντο αὐτὸν, καὶ ἀκριβέστερον αὐτῷ ἐξέθεντο τὴν τοῦ ²⁷ βουλομένου δὲ $\theta \epsilon o \hat{v}$ $\delta \delta \delta v$. αύτοῦ διελθεῖν εἰς τὴν 'Αχαΐαν, προτρεψάμενοι οι άδελφοι έργαψαν τοις μαθηταις ἀποδέξασθαι αὐτόν ος παραγενόμενος συνεREVISED VERSION.

And after he had gone down 22 to Cesarea, and gone up and saluted the congregation, he went down to Antioch.

And having spent some 23 time there, he departed, passing through all the country of Galatia and Phrygia in order, "establishing all the disciples.

And a certain Jew, named 24 Apollos, born at Alexandria, an veloquent man, and mighty in the Scriptures, came down to Ephesus. This man was 25 instructed in the way of the Lord, and being wfervent in spirit, he spoke and taught diligently the things concerning the Lord, though he knew only the immersion of John. And 26 he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom, when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him to them, and expounded to him the way of God more *accurately. And 27 when he was disposed to pass into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who, when he had come, afforded much aid to them who had βάλετο πολὺ τοῖς πεπιστευκόσι believed through the

[·] Ασπασαμενος. Ασπαζομαι, in its more than fifty occurrences in N. T., is represented by salute, greet, embrace, on meeting and parting with brethren, indicative of the highest natural and Christian affection. The whole εκκλησια was, in this case, saluted with a Christian adieu.

[&]quot; Επιστηριζων, tound only in this book, and only four times, is three times represented by confirming, and once by strengthening, associated always with the church, or disciples.

^{*} Avno logios. This adjective is found only in this place in the Christian Scriptures, literally a verbose man, a man of eloquence. In its highest acceptation of eloquence it was applicable to Apollos His association with Paul was intimate. Paul planted the Church in Corinth, and Apollos watered it. His eloquence was based upon his power in

using the Christian gospel and the Jewish prophets, so far as Paul distinguishes it.

w "Instructed in the doctrine of the Lord, and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught exactly the things of the Lord," Boothr. Bible intelligence, fervor in spirit, and his knowledge of John's mission and baptism were the constituents of his eloquence, sustained by a candid and inquisitive temper. At this time he only knew the baptism of

^{*} Ακυλας και Πρισκιλλα—εξεθεντο την του Θεου όδον, "expounded to him more perfectly the way of God," Penn; "expounded accurately the passages concerning the Lord," Thomp.; "laid before him the way of God more exactly," Wakef.; "fully showed him the way of the Lord," Murd. Παδόησιαζεσθαι, " to speak boldly," Hack.

⁷ Συνεβαλετο κ. τ. λ., "contributed much to those who

the Jews, and that publicly, shewing by the scriptures, that Jesus was Christ.

CHAP. XIX.

And it came to pass, that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts, came to Ephesus; and finding certain disciples,

2 He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ve believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.

3 And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto

John's baptism.

4 Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.

GREEK TEXT.

28 For he mightily convinced διὰ τῆς χάριτος· 28 εὐτόνως γὰρ τοις Ιουδαίοις διακατηλέγχετο δημοσία, έπιδεικνύς διὰ τῶν γραφῶν, εἶναι τὸν Χριστὸν Ἰησούν.

CHAP. XIX.

'ΕΓΕΝΕΤΟ δὲ ἐν τῷ τὸν $A\pi$ ολλ $\hat{\omega}$ εἶναι έν Kορίν $heta\omega$, Π α \hat{v} λον διελθόντα τὰ ἀνωτερικὰ μέρη, έλθειν είς 'Εφεσον' καὶ εύρών τινας μαθητάς, ² εἶπε πρὸς αὐτοὺς, Εἰ Πνεῦμα 'Αγιον έλάβετε πιστεύσαντες: Οί δε είπον προς αὐτον, 'Αλλ' οὐδε εἰ Πυεῦμα Αγιόν έστιν, ήκούσαμεν. 3 Eľ $\pi\epsilon$ $au\epsilon$ $\pi
ho$ òs αὐτοὺς, Eἰς τί οὖν ἐβαπτίσθητε; Οἱ δὲ εἶπον, Είς τὸ Ἰωάννου βάπτισμα. 4 Eî $\pi\epsilon$ δ è Mlpha $\hat{
u}\lambda$ os, 'I ω lpha $u
u\eta$ s μ èuέβάπτισε βάπτισμα μετανοίας, τῷ λαῷ λέγων, εἰς τὸν ἐρχόμενον μετ' αύτον ἵνα πιστεύσωσι, τουτέστιν είς τὸν Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν. REVISED VERSION.

which he had; for he power- 28 fully and thoroughly in public convinced the Jews, clearly showing by the Scriptures, that Jesus was the Christ.

CHAP. XIX.

And while Apollos was at 1 Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper parts, came into Ephesus; and finding certain disciples there, he 2 said to them, Did you on believing receive the Holy "Spirit? And they said to him, we have not, indeed, heard, that there is a Holy Spirit. And he said to them, 3 bInto what then were you immersed? And they said, Into John's immersion. Then said 4 Paul, John, indeed, administered an immersion of reformation, saying to the people, that they should believe on him who would come after him, that is, on Jesus the 5 When they heard this, they 5 'Ακούσαντες δε έβαπτίσθησαν Christ. Having heard this, 5

have believed," Hack.; "he greatly assisted all them that | nothing meant but this, "While Apollos was in Corinth," and, believed," Murd.

Δια της χαφιτος, "through grace," Hack., Wes., Penn; to say the least, is a very ambiguous rendering in this place. "By his gift," Thomp., Wakef. "Alii exponant, 'In dextritate quadam gratiosa, quæ et jucunditatem et utilitatem auditoribus," Crit. Sacra. The gift of Apollos seems to me the grace here indicated. All men who believe, believe through grace. That was not peculiar to those in Ephesus. But the gift of Apollos is that noted here. Xaois, though generally rendered grace, in com. ver., cannot always be so rendered. It is, therefore, in the com. ver. represented by favor, thank, thanks, pleasure, liberality, joy, thank-worthy, benefit, gift.

That the Christ was Jesus, and that Jesus was the Christ, is an evangelical metastasis. The eloquent Apollos, well versed in the Jewish Scriptures, knew that if he proved that the promised Christ was Jesus, he proved that Jesus was the

Eyενετο δε εν τφ, "and it came to pass," or, it happened, are common versions of eyevero, in such historic connections as this. The latter is equivalent to, it chanced, as in profane usage; not to be allowed here. "While Apollos was at Corinth" it occurred, or came to pass; but there is

therefore, with Wakef., Murd., Wes., Thomp., Hack., we prefer

* Ελαβετε πιστευσαντες; Did you on believing receive the Holy Spirit? This indicates that John's baptism was not Christian baptism; for in the latter they could not have been baptized without hearing of it.

The context indicates that the anarthrous Hvevua Aylov here represents the Holy Spirit, not as yet fully revealed to them; for soon as immersed, and Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they were endowed with the Holy Spirit, in gifts of tongues and prophesy, v. 6.

- b Eis, in its more than 1800 occurrences in N. T., is, in the com. ver., generally represented by to, into, unto, for, and very seldom by in, which, indeed, ought never to be done. The Greeks having ev, in, as well as eis, into, and for.
- · Xolorov is here omitted by Gb., Ln., Tf., for which Inσουν is substituted. Τουτεστίν, not τουτον εστίν, but τουτο εστι = hoc est—that is, on Jesus.

Εβαπτισε βαπτισμα. Literally, immersed an immersion.

d As, and having heard, or, having heard.

the Lord Jesus.

- 6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.
- 7 And all the men were about twelve.

8 And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God.

9 But when divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus.

10 And this continued by the space of two years; so that all they which dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.

11 And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul:

12 So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerGREEK TEXT.

were baptized in the name of $|\epsilon i s \tau o \delta \nu o \mu a \tau o v K \nu \rho i o v In \sigma o v$. 6 καὶ ἐπιθέντος αὐτοῖς τοῦ Παύλου τὰς χείρας, ἦλθε τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ "Αγιον ἐπ' αὐτοὺς, ἐλάλουν τε γλώσσαις καὶ προεφήτευον. 7 ήσαν δε οι πάντες άνδρες ώσει δεκαδύο. 8 Εισελθών δε είς την συναγωγήν, ἐπαρρησιάζετο, ἐπὶ μήνας τρείς διαλεγόμενος καὶ πείθων τὰ περὶ τῆς βασιλείας τοῦ Θεοῦ. 9 Ως δέ τινες ἐσκληρύνοντο καὶ ἡπείθουν, κακολογοῦντες την όδον ένώπιον τοῦ πλήθους, ἀποστὰς ἀπ' αὐτῶν άφωρισε τους μαθητάς, καθ' ήμέραν διαλεγόμενος έν τῆ σχολῆ Τυράννου τινός. 10 Τοῦτο δε έγένετο έπὶ έτη δύο, ώστε πάντας τούς κατοικούντας την 'Ασίαν άκοῦσαι τὸν λόγον τοῦ Κυρίου Iησοῦ, Iουδαίους τ ϵ καὶ $E\lambda$ -11 Δυνάμεις τε ού τὰς τυχούσας έποίει ὁ Θεὸς διὰ τῶν χειρών Π αύλου, 12 ώστε καὶ ϵ πὶ τους ἀσθενουντας ἐπιφέρεσθαι chiefs, or aprons, and the dis- απὸ τοῦ χρωτὸς αὐτοῦ σουδάρια kerchiefs, or aprons, and the

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they were immersed into the name of the Lord Jesus. And 6 when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke with tongues, and prophesied. Now all the men were about 7 twelve. And he went into 8 the synagogue, and spoke boldly for about three months, ediscussing and persuading as to things concerning the kingdom of God. But when some 9 were hardened, and believed not, but spoke evil of the 'way, in the presence of the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, discussing daily in the school of one Tyrannus And this 10 continued during two gyears; so that all those who dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks. And God worked 11 hspecial miracles by the hands of Paul: So that from his body 12 were carried to the sick, hand-

Διαλεγομενοs is found in "Acts" ten times, represented, | com. ver., by reasoning, disputing, preaching, and preaching unto. Διαλεγομένος και πειθων, "disputing and persuading,", A. Clark, Wakef.; "discoursing and persuading," Wes.; "reasoning and recommending," Thomp.; "seeking to persuade them," Hack. "The first accusative specifies the aim of the act, in hoc loco, τα βασιλειας," Kuincel. After much consideration, we would, in our age and country, prefer, discussing and pleading the things pertaining to the kingdom

Πειθων αυτους τα περι τον Κυριου Ιησου Χριστου, "he delivered to them the doctrine of the kingdom," Kuin., in loco. "Discussing and persuading," though literal, is not in our idiom. In a summary of three months' labor, allusion is had to the debates, discussions, and pleadings had upon the person, claims, character, and kingdom of Jesus, and to the earnestness of the preachers.

* Καπολογουντες, speaking evil of the way. Την όδον, the way, the faith, and the practice, "not concretely, the sect, or

party," Hackett. Αφωρίσε τους μαθητας, separated the disciples from the synagogue, εν τη σχολη-rather in the schoolhouse than in the school. Togavvov rivos, some think, is justly reprobated as an interpolation. It is not, they say, in Luke's style, and is redundant. We are of a differet opinion. This word rus is a peculiar favorite of Luke, and is found more frequently occurring in his writings in an indefinite sense, than in all the other evangelists, or in all the epistles of Paul.

- $E_{\pi \iota} \ \epsilon \tau \eta \ \delta vo$, exclusive of the three months referred to v. 8; for τουτο "expressly opposes the preaching in the school of Tyrannus, to that in the synagogue," Hack. Ωστε -Aσιαν. This is not the continent of Asia, but a Roman province of which the capital was Ephesus.
- h Oυ τας τυχουσας well represented by extraordinary, or, special. All miracles are equally supernatural, but do not all appear alike supernatural. Of these there may be great. greater, and greatest.
 - ι Σουδαρια η σιμικινθια. common handkerchiefs and

eases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.

13 Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits, the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.

14 And there were seven sons of one Sceva a Jew, and chief of the priests, which did so.

15 And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?

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η σιμικίνθια, καὶ ἀπαλλάσσεσθαι ἀπ' αὐτῶν τὰς νόσους, τά τε πνεύματα τὰ πονηρὰ ἐξέρχεσθαι ἀπ' αὐτῶν. 13 Έπεχείρησαν δέ τινες ἀπὸ τῶν περιερχομένων 'Ιουδαίων έξορκιστών όνομάζειν έπὶ τοὺς ἔχοντας τὰ πνεῦματα τὰ πονηρὰ τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ Κυρίου Ίησοῦ, λέγοντες, Θρκίζομεν ύμας τον Ίησουν ον ο Παῦλος κηρύσσει. 14 τΗσαν δέ τινες υίοι Σκευα 'Ιουδαίου άρχιερέως έπτὰ οἱ τοῦτο ποιοῦντες. 15 ἀποκριθέν δ $\dot{\epsilon}$ το πν $\hat{\epsilon}$ υμα το πονηρον είπε, Τον Ίησουν γινώσκω, καὶ τὸν Παῦλον ἐπίσταμαι· ύμεις δε τίνες έστέ;

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diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them. Then certain of the 13 Jewish exorcists, who went about from place to place, also attempted to pronounce the name of the Lord Jesus upon those who had evil spirits, saying, We adjure you by the Jesus whom Paul preaches. And there were 14 seven sons of one 'Sceva, a Jew and chief of the priests, who did so. And the evil spirit 15 answered and said, Jesus I ¹acknowledge, and Paul I 16 Kai know: but who are you?

aprons, taken from persons at work, as these terms indicate, became the vehicles of omnipotence.

 $Tas \ vosovs, \ \tau \alpha - \pi v \varepsilon v \mu \alpha \tau \alpha$. Two kinds of diseases are here indicated, physical and spiritual, or those the fruits of material nature or of physical causes, and those of evil spirits. $A\pi^2 \ \alpha v \tau \omega v$ is omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.

¹ Τινες απο των περιερχομενων, κ. τ. λ., com. ver. Τινες και των. Gb., Tf., Mey. give this more approved reading. Και joins τινες with Paul, in the act expressed in ονομαζειν, they also attempted to call. Περιερχομενων, not opprobriously vagabond, but wandering Jews, εξορκιστης, exorcista. "Qui tanquam Dei nomine adigit ad veri confessionem aut factum aliquod. Augustinus adjuratorem vertit." Crit. Sacra. "Expellers of demons," Dr. Whitby. Mr. Biscoe (at Boyle's Lecture, ch. 7, § 6, p. 281, et seq.) has produced many passages from Iren., Origen, Epiph., and Josephus, showing that several Jews at this time pretended to a power of casting out demons. See Dodd., in loco. "Such as used magical arts, adjuring demons, etc.," Boothr.

'Ορειζομεν is substituted by δρειζω, on the authority of Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf., we adjure you, for, I adjure you. We must, in this case, prefer the Received Text for the amended, inasmuch as it conflicts with the antecedent and subsequent context, and with the judgment of the great majority of critics, ancient and modern. It is seldom we feel more assurance than in this case, in dissenting from these distinguished critics. The seven sons of Sceva, a Jew, we learn in the subsequent verse, were coöperants in this case; hence, and for other reasons, we prefer the received text to that of Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf.

k Σκευα, Doric genitive, similar to Bαρναβα, ch. 11:30; βοδδα, Luke 13:29; Iωνα, John 1:43.

1 Τον Ιησουν γινωσκω, και τον Παυλον επισταμαι. This demon was a critic, and well versed in the import of Greek terms. "I know Jesus, and have some acquaintance with Paul," Murd.; "Jesus, indeed, I know, and Paul I know," Penn; "Jesus I know to my cost, and Paul I know as his servant," Dodd.; "Jesus I know, and I have some knowledge of Paul," Thomp.; "I acknowledge Jesus, and am acquainted with Paul," Adam Clark. "Jesus I know, i. e., his authority and power, επισταμαι, I know fully; stronger than the other verb, and applied to Paul in opposition to them," Hack.

We have fanciful critics, and those of more profound judgment. This appears to good advantage in the contrasts here given. We institute no inviduous comparisons. We all look at objects from different standpoints. Where two inspired men use a word in different acceptations, it may be resolved by ascertaining their scope, design, or the special cases to which they refer. Επισταμαι, ab επι and ισταμαι, to stand upon a thing, whereas to understand is to stand under it, as ὑποστασις, persona, Heb. 1:3. Yet this standing upon a subject, or this standing under it, may in different attitudes indicate the same knowledge of it. In either case there must be a very particular and intimate acquaintance with it. I feel a distinction in these terms difficult to define exactly. I am disposed upon all my premises to acquiesce with Critica Sacra. The Latins borrowed their nosco and cognosco from yevwoxo. Non nuda et simplex notitia, sed affectiva cum desiderio, approbatione et dilectione conjuncta. 1 John 4:8; Matt. 7:23, and 25:12. Not a naked and simple notion, but associated with affection, desire, and approbation, terminating in delight. It is an Hebraism.

Το πνευμα το πονηφον. Emphatically, the wicked the

16 And the man in whom the evil spirit was, leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.

17 And this was known to all the Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus: and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.

18 And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds.

19 Many of them also which used curious arts, brought their books together, and burned them before all men; and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver.

20 So mightily grew the word of God, and prevailed.

21 After these things were ended, Paul purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia, and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see Rome.

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έφαλλομενος έπ' αὐτοὺς ὁ ἄνθρωπος έν ῷ ἢν τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ πονηρον, καὶ κατακυριεύσας αὐτῶν, ἴσχυσε κατ' αὐτῶν, ὧστε γυμνοὺς καὶ τετραυματισμένους έκφυγεῖν έκ τοῦ οίκου ἐκείνου. 17 τοῦτο δε εγένετο γνωστον πάσιν Ίουδαίοις τε καὶ Ελλησι τοῖς κατοικούσι την Έφεσον, καὶ ἐπέπεσε φόβος έπὶ πάντας αὐτοὺς, καὶ ἐμεγαλύνετο τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ 18 Πολλοί τε Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ. τῶν πεπιστευκότων ἤρχοντο έξομολογούμενοι καὶ άναγγέλλοντες τὰς πράξεις αὐτῶν. 19 ίκανοὶ δε των τὰ περίεργα πραξάντων, συνενέγκαντες τὰς βίβλους κατέκαιον ένώπιον πάντων καὶ συνεψήφισαν τὰς τιμὰς αὐτῶν, καὶ εδρον άργυρίου μυριάδας πέντε. ²⁰ ούτω κατὰ κράτος ὁ λόγος τοῦ κυρίου ηὖξανε καὶ ἴσχυεν.

 21 $\Omega \Sigma$ $\delta \epsilon \epsilon \pi \lambda \eta \rho \omega \theta \eta \tau \alpha \hat{v} \tau \alpha$, έθετο ὁ Παῦλος έν τῷ πνεύματι, διελθών την Μακεδονίαν καὶ 'Aχαΐαν πορεύεσhetaαι εἰς 'Iερουσαλημ, είπων, "Οτι μετα το γενέσθαι με έκει, δεί με καὶ 'Ρώμην

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And the man in whom the 16 evil spirit was, leaped on mthem, and overcame them, and prevailed against them; so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded. And this was known to all 17 the Jews and Greeks dwelling at "Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified. And many who believed 18 came, and oconfessed, and declared their deeds. Many of 19 them also, who practiced magic arts, brought together their books, and burnt them in the presence of all, and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver. powerfully grew the word of God, and pprevailed.

When these things were 21 ended, Paul firmly purposed in aspirit, when he had passed through Macedonia, and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, after I have been there, I must also see Rome. 22 So he sent into Macedonia $i\delta\epsilon\hat{\imath}\nu$. 22 $A\pi o\sigma\tau\epsilon\hat{\imath}\lambda\alpha s$ $\delta\hat{\epsilon}$ $\epsilon\hat{\imath}s$ $\tau\hat{\eta}\nu$ So he sent into Macedonia 22

spirit, the evil spirit. This is as emphatic as το Πνευμα το Aylov, the Spirit the Holy, the Holy Spirit. This emphatic form is again presented το πνευμα το πονηφον, v. 16. The analogy is remarkably striking. The master spirit of all evil, and the master spirit of all goodness, while often anarthrous, are, on prominent occasions, presented before us as equally conspicuous, the one as the fountain of all evil, the other as the fountain of all good.

- m Εφαλλομενος, leaping upon them; κατακυριευσας, having overpowered them, Wakef., Murd. Αυτων, in this place, is substituted by augoregov, Ln., Tf., regarded by Gb. as of much authority, and marked as probable.
- n Tois κατοικουσι την Εφεσον, to those inhabiting or dwelling in Ephesus.
 - · Εξομολογουμενοι, openly confessed; αναγγελλοντες τας vealed to him, he felt no obligation to consummate them.

ποαξεις, and reported their practices, superstitious practices. Ols., Mey., De Wette. Sins in general, Kuin., Hack.

- P $Hv\xi\alpha\nu\varepsilon$ και ισχ $v\varepsilon\nu$ = not only extended, but augmented in its power.
- 4 Εθετο-εν τω πνευματι, strongly purposed; with us, decided. Paul and his spirit are sometimes distinguished as God and his spirit are spoken of in Holy Writ. He. Paul, purposed in his mind-not in his soul, but in his spirit-to visit Rome. Δει με και Ρωμην ιδειν, it behooves me to see Rome, after I have visited Jerusalem; not to fulfill any decree, "or revealed purpose of God." Hack.

The Apostle Paul never intended to say, that he, or any one else, must do anything merely to fulfill a Divine purpose, unless a Divine oracle had enjoined it. He certainly believed that God had purposes to accomplish by him; but until re-

two of them that ministered unto him, Timotheus and Erastus; but he himself stayed in Asia for a season.

- 23 And the same time there arose no small stir about that way.
- 24 For a certain man named Demetrius, a silver-smith, which made silver shrines for Diana, brought no small gain unto the craftsmen;
- 25 Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth:
- 26 Moreover, ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying, that they be no gods which are made with hands.
- 27 So that not only this our craft is in danger to be set at nought; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed,

GREEK TEXT.

Μακεδονίαν δύο τῶν διακονούντων αὐτῶ, Tιμό $heta\epsilon$ ον καὶ "Eραστον, αὐτὸς ἐπέσχε χρόνον εἰς την 'Ασίαν. 23 'Εγένετο δέ κατά τὸν καιρὸν ἐκεῖνον τάραχος ούκ ολίγος περί της όδου. 24 Δημήτριος γάρ τις ονόματι, άργυροκόπος, ποιών ναούς άργυρούς Αρτέμιδος, παρείχετο τοῖς τεχνίταις έργασίαν ούκ ολίγην. ²⁵ οὖς συναθροίσας, καὶ τοὺς περὶ τὰ τοιαῦτα ἐργάτας, εἶπεν, Ανδρες, ἐπίστασθε ὅτι ἐκ ταύτης της έργασίας ή εύπορία ήμων έστι· 26 καὶ θεωρείτε καὶ άκούετε ότι οὐ μόνον Ἐφέσου, άλλὰ σχεδον πάσης της 'Ασίας ὁ Παῦλος οδτος πείσας μετέστησεν ίκανον ὄχλον, λέγων ὅτι οὐκ εἰσὶ θεοί οί διὰ χειρών γινόμενοι. 27 ου μόνον δε τοῦτο κινδυνεύει ήμιν τὸ μέρος εἰς ἀπελεγμὸν έλθείν, άλλὰ καὶ τὸ τῆς μεγάλης θεᾶς 'Αρτέμιδος ίερον εἰς οὐδὲν λογισθηναι, μέλλειν δὲ καὶ καθαιρείσθαι την μεγαλειότητα αὐREVISED VERSION.

two of those who ministered to him, Timothy and Erastus: but he himself stayed in Asia for a season. And the same 23 time there arose no small stir about the way. For a certain 24 man, named Demetrius, a silver-smith, who made silver shrines for Artemis, brought no small gain to the artisans; whom he called together, with 25 the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, you know well, that by this employment we have our 'prosperity. Moreover, you see and whear, 26 that not only at Ephesus, but almost throughout Asia, this Paul has persuaded and turned aside many people, saying, that they are no gods which are made with hands; so that 27 not only this our 'trade is in danger of coming into contempt; but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis will be despised, and her magnificence destroyed,

 Artemis, from Αρτεμης, integer. ob virginitatis illibatæ laudem-Diana.

Acremis, com. ver., Diana, occurs five times in this chapter. Nowhere else found in N. Test. We know no good reason for changing the name of this goddess. These silver shrines were mere images of the temple at Ephesus, of which the manufacture in that city was very great.

ι Ούς συναθροισας, και τους περι τα τοιαυτα εργατας κ. τ. λ. Artizans, so-called, and laborers in attendance, mechanics and than their religion.

prosperity arises from this employment.

* Θεωρείτε και ακούετε, a true argumentum ad hominem: you see and know, therefore. Some would render it, see and know; but this assumes their ignorance of their own interests, which would be inapposite to the occasion.

Travos was a favorite with Luke. He employs it twentynine times in his book of Acts and Gospel, while all the other writers of the N. Test. only employ it twelve times. It is necessarily a vague term, having not less than fourteen representatives; consequently much depends on its connections. It is one of a small class of words that is so sympathetic as to assume the gesture of every associate. Thus it is, worthy, great, large, many, enough, long, alike, security, good while, while, sore, meet, able, sufficient. It is like the Scotch unco.

· Ου μονον δε τουτο πινδυνευει ήμιν το μερος, "this business," as some interpret it; others, "this part of our religion." We presume, their business was more in their hearts

^{*} Περι της όδου-κατα τον καιρον εκεινον. About the time | common hands. His argument was, ή ενπορια ήμων, our of accomplishing his purpose of visiting Rome, there arose some opposition, some new difficulties concerning the way; not the way to Rome, nor the journey thither; but the way, "every where then spoken against."

Odos frequently occurs in this book, "the way of God;" and, in other books of the Holy Scriptures, such as "the way of Cain," "the way of Balaam." Paul, when persecuting Christ, demanded letters of authority, against any of "this way" that he might find.

worshippeth.

28 And when they heard these sayings, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesians.

29 And the whole city was filled with confusion: and having caught Gaius and Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord into the theatre.

30 And when Paul would have entered in unto the people, the disciples suffered him not.

31 And certain of the chief of Asia, which were his friends, sent unto him desiring him that he would not adventure himself into the theatre.

32 Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused, and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together.

33 And they drew Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews GREEK TEXT.

whom all Asia, and the world $\tau \hat{\eta} s$, $\hat{\eta} \nu \delta \lambda \eta \dot{\eta} A \sigma i \alpha \kappa \alpha i \dot{\eta} o i \kappa o \nu$ μένη σέβεται. 28 'Ακούσαντες δέ καὶ γενόμενοι πλήρεις θυμού, έκραζον λέγοντες, Μεγάλη ή "Αρτεμις 'Εφεσίων. 29 Kai έπλήσθη ή πόλις όλη συγχύσεως ωρμησάν τε ομόθυμαδον είς το θέατρον, συναρπάσαντες Γάϊον καὶ 'Αρίσταρχον Μακεδόνας, συνεκδήμους τοῦ Παύλου. είσελθείν είς τον δημον, ούκ είων αύτον οι μαθηταί. 31 τινές δέ καὶ τῶν ᾿Ασιαρχῶν ὄντες αὐτῷ φίλοι, πέμψαντες προς αὐτον, παρεκάλουν μή δούναι έαυτον είς τὸ θέατρον. 32 ἄλλοι μὲν οὖν άλλο τι έκραζον ἦν γὰρ ἡ ἐκκλησία συγκεχυμένη, καὶ οί πλείους οὐκ ήδεισαν, τίνος ένεκεν συνεληλύθεισαν. 33 έκ δὲ τοῦ όχλου προεβίβασαν 'Αλέξανδρον, προβαλόντων αὐτὸν τῶν putting him forward. And Alex- 'Ιουδαίων' ὁ δὲ 'Αλέξανδρος sforward. And Alexander, wav-

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whom all Asia and the world worship.

And when they heard this, 28 they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Artemis of the Ephesians. And the whole weity was filled 29 with tumult, and having caught Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord into the theatre. And when Paul would 30 have gone in to the people, the disciples suffered him not. And some of the chief men of 31 Asia, who were his friends, sent to him, entreating him not to venture himself into the theatre. Some, therefore, 32 cried one thing, and some another: for the *assembly was confused, and the greater part knew not wherefore they were And they 33 come together. drew Alexander out of the crowd, the Jews urging him

" Ή πολις όλη. 'Όλη is rejected by Ln., Tf., omitted on the | itself." It is as lawful for us to call it congregation, as for the Papists to call it assembly. See ch. 7:38; 1 Cor. 1:2, ήγιασμενοις εν Χριστω Ιησου, αλητοις άγιοις, συν πασι τοις επικαλουμενοις το ονομα του Κυριου ήμων Ιησου Χριστου, εν παντι τοπω αυτων τε και ήμων, "to the sanctified in Christ Jesus, called saints, with all that call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place, both their Lord and ours." Such is Paul's exegetical development of a particular church of Christ, and of the church universal as he understood the genius, relation, and character of that institution.

The definition of a thing is the true philosophy of its name. So God himself gave names to his own operations in the drama of creation. And so taught he his son Adam. Hence whatever significant names Adam gave were appropriate names; and God himself approved them giving to him a diploma, so that whatsoever name he gave to any living creature that became the name thereof."

J Ποοεβιβασαν, " prodire, faciebant," Kuin.; "they thrust forward," Wes., Dodd.; "they dragged him," Penn; "putting him forward," Wakef.; "urged forward," Hack. In this verse we have προβαλλω, and προβιβαζω, each found only twice in the Christian Scriptures, and used by Luke, the

authority of AB 13, 40, and Coptic, Arm. Oμοθυμαδον, concorditer-uno animo, with one consent.

 $[\]mathbf{x}$ Hν γαρ ή εκκλησια συγκεχυμενη. Εκκλησια here represents a mob, a tumultuous assembly, concourse of people. In N. Test. it is appropriated to a Christian congregation, or the whole Christian community. Literally and appropriately, in N. T. currency, it is represented by the word congregation, or assembly, a meeting of a people, always communicating the idea of calling out, or of their being called out of the world. The root, εκκαλεω, evoco, I call out, is not found in the Christian Scriptures. Εκκλησια, in its one hundred and fourteen occurrences, is only three times translated assembly. In every other case it is misrepresented by the word church, an abbreviation of xugiou oixos, contracted into kuriok, or kyrke. It answers to, or it responds to the Hebrew kahal et edah, from yaad, that is, to assemble, or, to congregate. Critica Sacra. It is added by the same high authority, εκκλησια, proprie catum aliquem, a superiori aliquo convocatum in finem polliticum vel ecclesiasticum denotat. The same high authority says, "The English word church is ambiguously taken by the people for the place of the assembly, and for the assembly

ander beckoned with the hand, and would have made his defence unto the people.

34 But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice about the space of two hours cried out, Great is Diana of the Ephesians.

35 And when the town-clerk had appeased the people, he said Ye men of Ephesus, what man is there that knoweth not how that the city of the Ephesians is a worshipper of the great god-dess Diana, and of the image which fell down from Jupiter?

36 Seeing then that these things cannot be spoken against, ye ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rashly.

37 For ye have brought hither these men, which are neither robbers of churches, nor yet

blasphemers of your goddess.
38 Wherefore, if Demetrius, and the craftsmen which are with him, have a matter against any man, the law is open, and there are deputies: let them implead one another.

39 But if ye inquire any thing concerning other matters, it shall be determined in a lawful assem-

bly.

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κατασείσας την χείρα, ήθελεν άπολογείσθαι τῶ δήμω. γνόντων δὲ ὅτι Ἰοῦδαῖός ἐστι, φωνη έγένετο μία έκ πάντων ώς έπὶ ώρας δύο κραζόντων, Μεγάλη $\dot{\eta}$ 'Αρτεμις 'Εφεσίων. 35 Καταστείλας δὲ ὁ γραμματεύς τὸν όχλον, φησίν, 'Ανδρες 'Εφέσιοι, τίς γάρ έστιν άνθρωπος δς ού γινώσκει την Έφεσίων πόλιν νεωκόρον οὖσαν της μεγάλης θεᾶς 'Αρτέμιδος καὶ τοῦ Διοπετοῦς: 36 ἀναντιρρήτων οὖν ὄντων τούτων, δέον έστιν ύμας κατεσταλμένους υπάρχειν, καὶ μηδεν προπετες πράττειν. 37 ηγάγετε γὰρ τοὺς ἄνδρας τούτους, ούτε ίεροσύλους ούτε βλασφημοθντας την θεάν ύμων. μέν οὖν Δημήτριος καὶ οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ τεχνῖται πρός τινα λόγον έχουσιν, άγοραῖοι άγονται, καὶ ανθύπατοί είσιν έγκαλείτῶσαν άλλήλοις. 39 εἰ δέ τι περὶ έτέρων έπιζητείτε, έν τη έννομω έκκλησία ἐπιλυθήσεται.

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ing the hand, would have made his defense to the people. But when they knew 34 that he was a Jew, all with one voice, about the space of two hours, cried out, Great is Artemis of the Ephesians.

And when the city-clerk 35 had appeased the people, he says, Ephesians, what man is there who knows not that the city of the Ephesians is a worshipper of the great Artemis, and of the image which fell down from Jupiter? Seeing then that these things 36 cannot be spoken against, you ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rashly. For you have 37 brought hither these men, who are neither robbers of temples, nor yet revilers of your *goddess. Therefore, if 38 Demetrius, and the artisans that are with him, have a complaint against any man, the law is bopen, and there are proconsuls: let them accuse one another. But if you in- 39 quire any thing concerning other matters, it shall be deκαὶ termined in the lawful 'assem-

"Then was Alexander advanced out of the multitude, the keep the records," Winer, Hack. Jews having put him forward," Boothr.; "but when they had thrust Alexander out of the crowd, the Jews pushing him forward, and he, waving his hand, wished to make a defense to the people," Thomp.; "Waved his hand, and wished to make a defense," Murd, Penn.

² Ο γραμματευς, "scriba in multis Asiæ civitatibus magistratus erat et personam primariam in senatu agebat, leges in tabulas referebat earumque conservator et custos erat prælegebat etiam, quæ in concione populi prælegenda erant, ut adeo commode voc. γραμματευς etiam reddi possit prefectus tabularii, archivarius, Canzler, cf. de scribis veterum, eorumque diversis ordinibus Trotzius ad calcem Hermani Hugonis libri de prima scribendi origine, p. 436, seq." Kuinœl, in loco, p. 298, Tom. 3.

"In Asia Minor, as coins and inscriptions show, such was

former exclusively, and the latter once by Matt. 14:8. | their duties being to register the public acts and laws, and to

Nεωκορον, literally temple-sweeper, was an honorary title granted to certain Asiatic cities, because of their care and expense bestowed on the temple and worship of their elect deities. Kuinœl, 311. 4. There was a similar tradition in regard to a statue of Artemis in Tauris (Eurip., Iph., T. 977), and also one of Pallas at Athens (Pausan., I., 26. 6). Hack.,

- * Γεροσυλους ουτε βλασφημουντας την θεαν ύμων. Ύμων rejected by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf., as is "θεας" in v. 35. Tov-Tovs, Gaius and Aristarchus.
- b Αγοραιοι = $\mathring{\eta}$ μεραι αγονται = αγοραιοι, courts are held, = the law is open, ch. 16:19; 17:5. Και ανθυπατοι εισι. the class is referred to; there being but one in every province.
- · Εν τη εννομφ εκκλησια. This indicates that their meetthe title of the heads or chiefs of the municipal government; ing or assemblage was an illegal one. There may be a syna-

40 For we are in danger to be called in question for this day's uproar, there being no cause whereby we may give an account of this concourse.

41 And when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the assembly.

CHAP. XX.

And after the uproar was ceased, Paul called unto him the disciples, and embraced them, and departed for to go into Macedonia.

- 2 And when he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he came into Greece.
- 3 And there abode three months. And when the Jews laid wait for him, as he was about to sail into Syria, he purposed to return through Macedonia.
- 4 And there accompanied him into Asia, Sopater of Berea; and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timotheus; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophi-
- 5 These going before, tarried for us at Troas.

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γάρ κινδυνεύομεν έγκαλεῖσθαι στάσεως περί της σήμερον, μηδενος αιτίου ύπάρχοντος περί οδ δυνησόμεθα ἀποδοῦναι λόγον τῆς συστροφής ταύτης. 41 Καὶ ταῦτα είπων, ἀπέλυσε την έκκλησίαν.

CHAP. XX.

ΜΕΤΑ δὲ τὸ παύσασθαι τὸν θόρυβον, προσκαλεσάμενος Π αῦλος τοὺς μαθητὰς, καὶ ἀσπασάμενος, έξηλθε πορευθήναι είς την Μακεδονίαν. 2 $\delta\iota\epsilon\lambda\theta\dot{\omega}\nu$ $\delta\dot{\epsilon}$ τὰ μέρη ἐκεῖνα, καὶ παρακαλέσας αύτους λόγφ πολλφ, ήλθεν είς την Ελλάδα ποιήσας τε μηνας τρείς, γενομένης αὐτῷ ἐπιβουλής ύπο των Ιουδαίων μέλλοντι ἀνάγεσθαι είς την Συρίαν, έγένετο γνώμη τοῦ ὑποστρέφειν δια Μακεδονίας. 4 συνείπετο δε αὐτῷ ἄχρι τῆς ᾿Ασίας Σώπατρος Bεροιαΐος· Θ εσσαλονικέων δ è, Αρίσταρχος καὶ Σεκούνδος, καὶ Γάϊος Δερβαῖος καὶ Τιμόθεος. $^{\prime}A$ σιανοὶ δὲ, Tυχικὸς καὶ $^{\prime}T$ ρόφι $^{-}$ μος. 5 οδτοι προελθόντες έμενον ήμας έν Τρωάδι 6 ήμεις δέ 6 And we cailed away from έξεπλεύσαμεν μετά τὰς ἡμέρας

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bly. For we are in danger 40 of being called in question for this day's duproar, there being no cause in reference to which we shall be able to give an account of this concourse. And when he had thus spoken, 41 he dismissed the assembly.

CHAP. XX.

And after the disturbance 1 had ceased, Paul called to him the disciples, and embracing them, departed to go into Macedonia. And when 2 he had gone over those parts, and had given them much rexhortation, he came into Greece, and having spent three 3 months there, he resolved to return through Macedonia, the Jews having laid gwait for him, as he was about to embark for Syria. And there 4 haccompanied him to Asia, Sopater of Berea, and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timothy; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus. And these going before, 5 tarried for us at Troas. And 6 we sailed away from Philippi,

gogue of Satan, as well as a synagogue of Jews-so of the church—a church of Christ, and a church of Antichrist.

- d Εγκαλεισθαι στασεως περι, to be summoned, called to account, concerning this riot. So would we designate such an assemblage. Riot "at common law is a tumultuous disturbance of the peace by three or more persons." Webster.
- ^e Τον θορυβον, ex θροος et βοη, clamor, also pugna, battle, contention. In its whole currency in N. T., com. ver., it is represented by tumult, uproar. The verb θορυβεομαι is also found twice in this book, ch. 17:5, set on an uproar. With us the word disturbance, being generic, rather than specific, is, we think, preferable in this place.

Εξηλθε πορενθηναι. This is quite pleonastic. Departed to go, departed for, is our present formula. We presume not to improve Luke's style by our provincialisms.

- f Παρακαλεσας αυτους λογφ πολλφ. This παρακαλεω is one of Luke and Paul's favorites. They almost monopolize its use in the Christian Scriptures. Of more than one hundred occurrences in N. T., they use it over eighty times. To exhort, to comfort, to beseech, are its most popular representatives.
- ^g Επιβουλης. This is exclusively one of Luke's words, and found only in this single book of Acts. Laying, or lying in wait, are its only representatives, com. ver. Insidiæ, snares, stratagems, would be sometimes more definite. It is of eme and βουλη, because those that lie in wait for one another take counsel together. Crit. Sacra.
- h Συνειπετο δε αυτφ. Συνεπομαι is an άπαξ λεγομενον, found only in this place in the N. T .- comitor, to accompany. We have έπω and έπομαι, operor and sequor, as well as επω, dico, now out of use in the present tense. Instead of an augment, ¿ is inserted after & through all modes.

Philippi, after the days of unleavened bread, and came unto them to Troas in five days; where we abode seven days.

7 And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, (ready to depart on the morrow) and αὐτοῖς, μέλλων έξιέναι τῆ έπαύ- them, ready to depart on

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 $\tau \hat{\omega} \nu \ \hat{\alpha} (\hat{\nu} \mu \omega \nu \ \hat{\alpha} \pi \hat{\sigma}) \Phi_i \lambda \hat{\nu} \pi \pi \omega \nu$, $\kappa \alpha \hat{\nu}$ after the days of unleavened ήλθομεν προς αυτούς είς την Τρωάδα ἄχρις ήμερων πέντε, οδ διετρίψαμεν ήμέρας έπτά. Τ'Εν δὲ τῆ μιᾶ τῶν σαββάτων, συνηγμένων των μαθητών του κλάσαι άρτον, ο Παῦλος διελέγετο loaf, Paul discoursed with

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bread, and came to them to Troas, in five days, where we abode seven days.

And on the first day of the 'week, when we came together for the breaking a

"And on the first day of the week, we being assembled offerings to the Lord, in behalf of his cause and people. to break bread;" not των μαθητων, but ήμων, as in the com. ver. Hackett. This is based on the authority of Griesbach, Scholz, Lachmann, and Tischendorf, followed by Wesley, who has it, "And on the first day of the week, when we were met together, to break bread.'

"Upon the first day of the week which was called the Lord's day, the Christian sabbath, to break bread." "The Eucharist as the Syriac has it, intimating by this, that they were accustomed to receive the holy sacrament on each Lord's day." Adam Clark.

"And on the first day of the week, when we assembled to break the Eucharist," Murd. Syr. ver. "And on the first day of the week, when the disciples met together to break bread, to celebrate the Eucharist," Doddridge. He adds, "it is wellknown that the primitive Christians administered the Eucharist every Lord's day."

Εν δε τη μια των σαββατων. The force, or import, of the definitive article is forcibly indicated here. Before Ocos, in the Christian Scriptures, it uniformly represents the God of all the Israel of God, whether in blood, Jew or Gentile. It distinguishes Jesus, God, and Christ always as the subject of a proposition from every other God, Jesus, or Christ. There were many Gods, Jesuses, and Christs in the days of the Apostles; but they were not honored by any inspired man with the article o. See Acts 7:45; Heb. 4:8; Col. 4:11, etc.

The article before μια ἡμερα, or before μια, without ἡμερα, in the New Test., is always indicative of one and the same day. It therefore indicates, in this connection, the day of the meetings of the first Christians, to remember and honor the day of the Lord's resurrection. On this day the Holy Spirit descended, in Jerusalem, on the first Christian church in full assembly met. For των μαθητων του, ήμων is substituted by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. We met-we met "to break bread," or to break a loaf.

Kλασις, fractio, Luke 24:35; Acts 2:42, is its whole currency in the N. Test. The meeting of, or on, the first day of the week, alluded to here, and in the Epistle of Paul to the Corinthians, was for this purpose; hence their contributions were, on this day, to be made by special requirement from Paul. 1 Cor. 16: 2. This also indicates Christian loaf, and not bread, indispensable. See ch. 2: 42.

There is no specific reason assigned for this assembling, but communion in worship, and communion in contributing to the Lord's cause and people. Paul to the Corinthians commands the latter, and the practice of the Christian church at Troas is commendatory of the former.

If Bagster's Greek text must in all cases be preferred, we should then read it, "And on the first day of the week, the disciples having assembled to break a loaf."

And on the first of the week, εν δε τη μια των σαββατων.

Eis is here tantamount to $\pi \rho \omega \tau \sigma s$. See Matt. 28:1, $\sigma \psi s$ δε σαββατων, the end of the sabbath. Οψε, vespera, serum diei-late of the day. The period of the day sunset and midnight. It ceased at midnight; only used by Matthew and Mark. The οψε, or end of the sabbath, was the επισωσχουση -the dawning-εις μιαν σαββατων, of the first of the week. In the instance before us, $\dot{\eta}\mu\varepsilon\varrho\alpha$ is understood as indicated by μια—the day of the week, and not the time of the day.

The first day of the week and the first day of creation are solemnly associated in the memory of the Christian. Light, in the drama of creation, was the first offspring of creative power. "Hail! holy light, of heaven first born!" Thus by his bidding God made darkness the mother of light. Light sprang from eternal darkness at the bidding of God, and Jesus from the night of the grave brought immortality to light. Hence Christ's first communion with his disciples was upon this day. Hence its consecration to the memory of that event. Hence it became the day of solemn and joyful assemblies. Conventibus Christianorum sacris et eucharistice celebratum fuisse ex hoc loco patet. Vide Mosheimius, de rebus Christi, ante Constantini Mosh., p. 116, Kuin., cum multis aliis.

1 Apros occurs some ninety times in the N. T. In com. ver. it is always translated loaves in the plural number; but in the singular number, one case excepted, always bread. In the case excepted there was a sort of necessity for translating it loaf, because a whole ship's company had but one loaf. In that case to have translated it one bread, would have been wholly inapposite. Such laxity is peculiarly faulty, in a case, where Paul argues the unity of the church from the fact that in its assemblies they had but "one loaf," of which they all partook. In this case the argument makes

continued his speech until mid- ριον, παρέτεινέ τε τον λόγον night.

- 8 And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.
- 9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.
- 10 And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him, said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.
- 11 When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed.
- 12 And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.
- 13 And we went before to ship, and sailed unto Assos, there $\chi \theta \eta \mu \epsilon \nu$ eis $\tau \dot{\eta} \nu$ "A $\sigma \sigma o \nu$, $\dot{\epsilon} \kappa \epsilon i \theta \epsilon \nu$ ward to the pship, and sailed to

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μέχρι μεσονυκτίου. 8 ήσαν δέ λαμπάδες ίκαναὶ έν τῷ ὑπερώω ιδ ήσαι συνηγμένοι. 9 καθήμενος δέ τις νεανίας δνόματι Εύτυχος έπὶ τῆς θυρίδος, καταφερόμενος υπνω βαθεί, διαλεγομένου του Παύλου έπι πλείον, κατενεχθείς άπο του ύπνου, έπεσεν άπὸ τοῦ τριστέγου κάτω, καὶ ήρθη νεκρός. 10 καταβάς δὲ ό Παθλος έπέπεσεν αύτῷ, καὶ συμπεριλαβών είπε, Μη θορυβεί- $\sigma \theta \epsilon^{,}$ ή γὰρ ψυχὴ αὐτοῦ $\dot{\epsilon}$ ν αὐτ $\dot{\omega}$ έστιν. 11 'Αναβας δε και κλάσας ἄρτον καὶ γευσάμενος, έφ' ίκανόν τε δμιλήσας ἄχρις αὐγῆς, οῦτως έξηλθεν. 12 ήγαγον δὲ τον παίδα ζώντα, καὶ παρεκλήθησαν οὐ μετρίως. 13 Ἡμεῖς δὲ προελθόντες έπὶ τὸ πλοῖον, ἀνήREVISED VERSION.

the morrow, and continued his speech till midnight. And 8 there were many lamps in the upper kchamber, where we were assembled together. And 9 there sat in the open window a certain young man, named Eutychus, who had fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long discoursing, he sunk down with sleep, and fell from the third story, and was taken up dead. And 10 Paul went down, and fell upon him, and embracing him, said, Be not troubled, for his mlife is in him. And when he 11 had come up, and had broken the "loaf, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till daybreak, so he departed. And 12 they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted. And we went for- 13

For ησαν read ημεν, Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. Hσαν δε λαμπα- $\delta \varepsilon s$ inavar— $\varepsilon v \tau \phi$ $i\pi \varepsilon \phi \phi \phi$, in the upper room.

1 Διαλεγομενου του Παυλου επι πλειον, while Paul was long discoursing, not preaching. In modern times, we confound preaching, discoursing, and teaching. This is a frequent source of confusion and error, in many minds. When and where the Apostles, once and again, use two words in the same connection, we ought also to use two. See ch. 5:42, where both words occur in the same period as indicating two distinct works, preaching and teaching.

For των μαθητων του, Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. substitute ήμων; making it read. We having assembled to break bread, Paul discoursed with them, instead of, "The disciples came together 'to break a loaf,' or 'to break bread,' and Paul discoursed to them." We cannot make it preached to them; for, in com. ver., in no other passage than this, is διαλεγομαι rendered to preach. In its thirteen occurrences in the Christian Scriptures, ten of which are in this book, it is represented by dispute six times, by reason four times, and once by "speaketh." The distinctions which etymology would suggest, are not always regarded with minute accuracy in the Hellenistic dialect. It seems certain that this dialect has been much influenced in its forms and significations by the ordinary use of the Hebrew, or, to speak more correctly, the Syro-Chaldaic.

Roman word. Dissero, to discourse, to declare. "Dissere cum aliquo de re aliquá, in utramque partem." Cicero. To discourse with any one concerning anything on either side, pro or con.

- " Ψυχη-for his life is in him-soul, or life, are equally its representatives.
- " Τον αρτον, Tf., Ln., Mey., Hack., not a loaf, but the loaf. Γενσαμενος, v. 11, and having eaten. Love-feasts were usual, in connection with the Eucharist, or Lord's supper generally preceding it. Here, as they sat very late, it may have been a refreshment before separating.

Κλασας αρτον και γευσαμενος. This was an ordinary meal for refreshment. The same formula, xlavas acrov, breaking bread, or, breaking a loaf at that day, and amongst that people, intimated any refreshment by food, special, or common.

- · Hyayov-they brought him into the assembly ζωντα, living, alive; παρεκληθησαν ου μετριως, and were not a little comforted.
- p "And we went before him to the ship," Penn. "We went before to the ship," Thomp. "We going before into ship," Wes. "Then we went forward to the vessel," Wakef. "But we went before into the ship," Dodd. "And we went on board the ship," Murd. "And we went before to the Διαλεγομαι is better rendered by dissero than by any other ship," Boothr. Doctors differ in small, as well as in great,

intending to take in Paul: for so had he appointed, minding himself to go afoot.

- 14 And when he met with us at Assos, we took him in, and came to Mitylene.
- 15 And we sailed thence, and came the next day over against Chios; and the next day we arrived at Samos, and tarried at Trogyllium; and the next day we came to Miletus.
- 16 For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for he hasted, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost.
- 17 And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.
- 18 And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons,
- 19 Serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears and temptations, which be $\pi = \pi \delta \lambda \hat{\omega} \nu \delta \alpha \kappa \rho \nu \omega \nu \kappa \alpha i \pi \epsilon i \rho \alpha \sigma \mu \hat{\omega} \nu$,

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μέλλοντες αναλαμβάνειν Παθλον· οθτω γάρ ἦν διατεταγμένος, μέλλων αύτος πεζεύειν. 14 ώς δε συνέβαλεν ήμιν είς την "Ασσον, άναλαβόντες αύτον ήλθομεν είς Μιτυλήνην. 15 κάκειθεν ἀποπλεύσαντες, τῆ ἐπιούση κατηντήσαμεν άντικρ \hat{v} Xίου \cdot τή δὲ ἐτέρα παρεβάλομεν εἰς Σ άμον καὶ μείναντες έν Τρωγυλλίφ, τη έχομένη ήλθομεν είς Μί-16 ἔκρινε γὰρ ὁ Παῦλος παραπλευσαι την Έφεσον, ὅπως μη γένηται αὐτῷ χρονοτριβησαι έν τη 'Ασία έσπευδε γάρ, εί δυνατον ήν αύτω, την ήμέραν της Πεντηκοστης γενέσθαι είς $I\epsilon$ ροσόλυμα.

17 'Απὸ δὲ τῆς Μιλήτου πέμψας είς 'Εφεσον, μετεκαλέσατο τούς πρεσβυτέρους της έκκλησίας. 18 ώς δε παρεγένοντο προς αύτον, εἶπεν αὐτοῖς, Ύμεῖς ἐπίστασθε, άπο πρώτης ήμέρας άφ' ης επέβην είς την 'Ασίαν, πως μεθ' ύμῶν τὸν πάντα χρόνον έγενόμην, 19 δουλεύων τῷ κυρίφ μετὰ πάσης ταπεινοφροσύνης καὶ REVISED VERSION.

Assos, there intending to take in Paul: for so he had appointed, intending himself to go on And when he met us 14 at Assos, we took him in, and came to Mitylene. And hav- 15 ing sailed thence, we came the next day over against Chios; and the next day we arrived at Samos, and remained at Trogyllium; and the next day we came to Miletus; for 16 Paul had determined to sail past Ephesus, that he might not spend the time in Asia; for he hastened, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem on the day of Pente-And from Miletus he 17 sent to Ephesus, and called for the relders of the congregation. And when they 18 were come to him, he said to them: You well know from the first day that I came into Asia, rrin what manner I have always been with you, serving 19 the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears

matters. We most incline to Wakefield; though we had so τασσω—ch. 13: 48—as many as were ordained to eternal life, rendered it, before we consulted him. As confirmatory of our version of it, we find in Mark 14:35, it is so rendered com.

9 Ούτω γαο εν διατεταγμενος. Τασσω, διατασσω, προτασσομαι, διατεταγμενος, are of one family in their root and more frequently used by Luke than any other N. T. writer; τασσω five times used by Luke, and four times by all other inspired writers.

Προτασσομαι-only by Luke, and only once-before appointed, ch. 17:26; and διατασσω sixteen times in N. T., nine of which by Luke, translated, com. ver., by command, appoint, ordain, set in order, here appointed; ordained to It is both declarative and interrogative in N. Test. currency, eternal life, ch. 13:48. The civil magistrates are ordained of God, Rom. 13:1, yet inaugurated by man. Tarrw, or judge, in better taste.

believed-as were disposed, or determined for eternal life. "Determined," Boothr., Dodd.; "so disposed," Wakef. Luke is not speculating or philosophizing on the subject. It is declared as a fact, a Divine and glorious fact. God granted to the Gentiles the benefit of repentance even to everlasting

- r Ποεσβυτερους. The word, occurring sixty-seven times in New Testament, is, with one exception, represented by elders, once old, and once eldest, in the plural.
- rr Hws, "how," "after what manner," "by what means." in our idiomatic style. In what manner is, with us, as we

fell me by the lying in wait of the Jews:

20 And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publicly, and from house to house,

21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

22 And now behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:

23 Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying, that bonds and afflictions abide

24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

GREEK TEXT.

 $\tau \hat{\omega} \nu \sigma \nu \mu \beta \hat{\alpha} \nu \tau \omega \nu \mu \rho \iota \epsilon \nu \tau \alpha \hat{\iota} s \epsilon \pi \iota$ and trials, which befell me βουλαίς των Ἰουδαίων 20 ώς ουδεν ύπεστειλάμην των συμφερόντων, του μη αναγγείλαι υμίν καὶ διδάξαι ύμᾶς δημοσία καὶ κατ' οίκους, ²¹ διαμαρτυρόμενος 'Ιουδαίοις τε καὶ Ελλησι την είς τον Θεον μετάνοιαν, καὶ πίστιν την είς τον Κύριον ημών $^{\prime}I\eta\sigma$ οῦν Xριστόν. 22 καὶ νῦν ίδου έγω δεδεμένος τω πνεύματι, πορεύομαι είς Ἱερουσαλημ, τὰ $\dot{\epsilon}$ ν αὐτ $\hat{\eta}$ συναντήσοντά μοι μ $\dot{\eta}$ $\dot{\epsilon}$ ιδ $\dot{\omega}$ s, 23 πλ $\dot{\eta}$ ν ὅτι τ $\dot{\delta}$ Π ν $\dot{\epsilon}$ $\hat{υ}$ μα τὸ Αγιον κατὰ πόλιν διαμαρτύρεται λέγον, ὅτι δεσμά με καὶ θλίψεις μένουσιν. 24 άλλ' ούδενὸς λόγον ποιοῦμαι, οὐδὲ ἔχω τὴν ψυχήν μου τιμίαν έμαυτώ, ώς τελειῶσαι τὸν δρόμον μου μετὰ χαρᾶς, καὶ τὴν διακονίαν ἢν ἔλαβον παρά τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ, διαμαρτύρασθαι τὸ εὐαγγέλιον της χάριτος του Θεού.

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by the plots of the Jews: and that I have kept back 20 nothing that was profitable, but have declared to you, and have taught you both publicly, and from house to house, testifying both to the 21 Jews and Greeks, reformation "toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. And now behold, I go bound 22 in spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things which will befall me there: except 23 that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying, that bonds and afflictions await me. But none of these things move 24 me, neither count I my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received from the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the ²⁵ καὶ grace of God. And now be- 25

Μετανοια. See ch. 2:38.

** $E_{\iota s}$ $\tau \circ \nu$ $K_{\iota \circ \iota \circ \nu} - \varepsilon_{\iota s} \cdot \tau \circ \nu$ $\Theta_{\varepsilon \circ \nu} - \varepsilon_{\iota s}$. In the philosophy of this preposition there is motion, progress; not repose, not absolute rest. Whereas ev is indicative of repose, rest, quiescence.

Repentance, or reformation, toward God, is, to say the least, awkward and clumsy; and faith toward the Lord Jesus is no better. It is, however, so consecrated and familiar that we realize not its dissonance with either reason or taste. Ward, toward, from the Saxon weard, and this from the radix of the Roman verto, versus to turn-toward. Motion to is the incipient idea. Motion to, into, unto, or on to. Hence the splendidly awkward conception, from glory to glory-an eternal ascent. Repentance, or reformation, toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. Godward, Christward, are equally proper, n and of themselves. Froward is only fromward, or turning from.

Why God should be the special object of repentance, or reformation, and our Lord Jesus Christ the special object of faith in the Apostolic teachings, is an interesting question, on which one remark at present must suffice. Sin terminates upon God in its dishonoring him, and faith upon Jesus Christ as honoring him in expiating it.

ι Διαμαρτυρασθαι το ευαγγελιον της χαριτος του Θεου. Of fifteen occurrences of this word in N. Test., ten are found in Luke's narratives; to witness, to testify, to charge, are its representatives in his writings, com. ver. Three times charge, in Paul's Epistles to Timothy and Titus. "Testificor, obtestor, pergens testificari," Beza. "Exprimitur vis prepositionis dia, vel potius exacte testificans ut præpositio δια notet penetrationem," Piscator. In the Septuagint it is in all cases the representative of 7777. Leigh's Crit. Sacra. It properly indicates, I call God to witness that the following words indicate the truth. It indicates to us the solemn and earnest manner in which the apostle Paul preached the gospel.

25 And now behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more.

26 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men

27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

29 For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.

30 Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away dis-

ciples after them.

GREEK TEXT.

νῦν ἰδου έγω οἶδα, ὅτι οὐκέτι όψεσθε τὸ πρόσωπόν μου ὑμεῖς πάντες, έν οίς διηλθον κηρύσσων την βασιλείαν του Θεού. 26 διο μαρτύρομαι ύμιν έν τη σήμερον ήμέρα, ὅτι καθαρὸς ἐγὼ ἀπὸ τοῦ αίματος πάντων 27 ου γαρ ύπεστειλάμην τοῦ μὴ ἀναγγεῖλαι ύμιν πασαν την βουλην του $\Theta \epsilon \circ \hat{v}$. $^{28} \pi \rho \circ \sigma \epsilon \chi \epsilon \tau \epsilon \circ \hat{v} \nu \epsilon \alpha v \tau \circ \hat{v}$ καὶ παντὶ τῶ ποιμνίω, ἐν ῷ ὑμᾶς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ Αγιον ἔθετο ἐπισκόπους, ποιμαίνειν την έκκλησίαν τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἢν περιεποιήσατο διὰ τοῦ ἰδίου αἵματος. γὰρ οἶδα τοῦτο, ὅτι εἰσελεύσονται μετὰ τὴν ἄφιξίν μου λύκοι βαρείς εἰς ὑμᾶς, μὴ φειδόμενοι τοῦ ποιμνίου ³⁰ καὶ ἐξ ὑμῶν αὐτῶν ἀναστήσονται ἄνδρες λαλοῦντες διεστραμμένα, τοῦ ἀποσπαν τους μαθητας όπίσω αύREVISED VERSION.

hold, I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, will see my face no more, wherefore I take you 26 to "witness this day, that I am clear from the blood of all. For I have kept nothing back, 27 but have declared to you the whole "counsel of God. Take 28 heed, therefore, to yourselves, and to all the flock in which the Holy Spirit has constituted you ""overseers, to feed the congregation of the Lord, which he has purchased with his own blood. For I 29 know this, that after my departure fierce wolves will enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also from 30 among your ownselves, men will arise, speaking vperverse things, to draw away disciples

ιι Ότι καθαρος εγω απο του αίματος παντων. Εγω καθαcos-in apposition-no verb intervening, always imply the substantive verb. It seems most probable that eyw-probably from the Boeotian Iwya-gave to us the pronoun I, which, in the absence of every verb, indicates I am. Here, then, associated only with an adjective, eque is essentially understood.

Tov aimaros, literally, the blood, but, substantively, the life; for the blood is the scabbard of the life of every earthly animated being. Παντων, of course, in this same sententious oracle, implies ανθρωπων.

Εν τη σημερον ήμερα, in the Attic style, or dialect, is tantamount to τηδε ήμερα, hoc die, this very day, hodiernus dies. This is superlatively formal and impressive.

" Την βουλην-βουλη is one of Luke's favorites. In its twelve occurrences in the Christian Scriptures, he employs it nine times. In arguing the internal evidences of the Christian records, one who is attentive to the peculiar style of the inspired writers, could testify to their respective style, as we testify to the faces of men. The man that wrote the Acts of the Apostles, could not have written the testimonies of Matthew, Mark, or John; nor could any one of them, by any possibility, have written the two books of Luke.

The counsel of God is not the advice, opinion, consultation, prudence, or deliberation, but the purpose, design, will, direction, command of God. It is used in these different shades, all comprehended in his revealed will.

a whole diocess, the church at Ephesus had a plurality of bishops over it.

For Ocov, Gb., Ln., Tf. have, I judge, with more propriety, if not with more authority, substituted zvoiov. Davidson's Lectures on Biblical Criticism. Hack.

Ήν περιεποιησατο δια του ιδιου αιματος. Περιποιεομαι, found only here and 1 Tim. 3:13, purchase; "purchased by his blood," "purchased a good degree,", (1 Tim. 3:13), whence is derived the word περιποιησις.

This word, περιποιησιε, is found five times only in N. Test.; and, in com. ver., is represented by purchased possession, Eph. 1:14; obtain salvation, 1 Thess. 5:9; obtaining glory, 2 Thess. 2:14; saving the soul, Heb. 10:39; a peculiar people; a people of acquirement. Greek Concordance. Such is the entire history of the inspired use and currency of this litigated word. Like all other words of much consecrated currency, it has passed through a fiery furnace.

According to the Critica Sacra, peculium, Ep. 1:14; acquisitio, 1 Thess. 5:9; ecclesia—the church of God is so called, which Peter calls (1 Ep. 2:9) populus acquisitionis, his acquired or purchased people. Acquisivit per sanguinem suum; id est, per mortem cruentem Filii sui. Grotius. Conservatio, Heb. 10: 39; 1 Pet. 2: 9. Aaos εις περιποιησιν; a peculiar people; "a people for purchasing." According to the Greek, for so the verb is used, Acts 20: 28; also 2 Thess. 2: 14. Crit. Sacr., p. 207.

* Διεστραμμενα. This is also one of Luke's words: of its uu Επισκοπους, bishops, overseers. Instead of one bishop to seven occurrences, it is five times employed by him. He

31 Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears.

32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

33 I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel.

34 Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me.

35 I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

36 And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all.

37 And they all wept sore, and fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him.

38 Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no more. And they accompanied him unto the ship.

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31 διο γρηγορείτε, μνημονεύοντες ὅτι τριετίαν νύκτα καὶ ημέραν ούκ έπαυσάμην μετά δακρύων νουθετών ένα έκαστον. 32 καὶ τανῦν παρατί θ εμαι ὑμᾶς, άδελφοὶ, τῷ Θεῷ καὶ τῷ λὸγῳ της χάριτος αὐτοῦ, τῷ δυναμένω έποικοδομήσαι καὶ δοῦναι ύμιν κληρονομίαν έν τοις ήγιασμένοις πασιν. 33 αργυρίου ή χρυσίου ἢ ἱματισμοῦ οὐδενὸς ἐπεθύμησα· ³⁴ αὐτοὶ δὲ γινώσκετε ὅτι ταῖς χρείαις μου καὶ τοῖς οὖσι μετ' έμου ύπηρέτησαν αί χειρες αθται. ³⁵ πάντα ύπέδειξα ύμιν, ὅτι οὕτω κοπιῶντας δεῖ ἀντιλαμβάνεσθαι τῶν ἀσθενοῦντων, μνημονεύειν τε τῶν λόγων τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ, ότι αύτὸς εἶπε, Μακάριόν ἐστι διδόναι μᾶλλον ἢ λαμβάνειν. 36 Kαὶ ταῦτα ϵ ἰπὼν $\theta\epsilon$ ὶς τὰ γόνατα αύτοῦ, σὖν πᾶσιν αὐτοῖς προσ-37 Ίκανὸς δὲ ἐνένετο ηύξατο. κλαυθμός πάντων καὶ ἐπιπεσόντες έπὶ τὸν τράχηλον τοῦ Παύλου, κατεφίλουν αὐτόν νώμενοι μάλιστα έπὶ τῷ λόγῳ ὧ εἰρήκει, ὅτι οὐκέτι μέλλουσι τὸ πρόσωπον αὐτοῦ θεωρείν. $\epsilon \pi \epsilon \mu \pi o \nu$ $\delta \epsilon$ $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \dot{o} \nu$ $\epsilon \dot{i} s$ $\tau \dot{o}$ $\pi \lambda o \hat{i} o \nu$. him to the ship.

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after them. Therefore watch, 31 and remember, that during three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. And now, "preth- 32 ren, I commend you to God. and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them who are sanc-I have coveted no 33 man's silver, or gold, or apparel. You yourselves know, 34 that these hands have ministered to my necessities, and to those that were with me. I have shown you in all re-35 spects that by so laboring you ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that he himself said. It is more blessed to give than to receive. when he had said this, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all. And they all wept 37 much, and having fallen on Paul's neck, they kissed him, sorrowing especially for the 38 words which he had spoken, that they would see his face no more. And they accompanied

quotes it once from the Saviour. Literally the verb διαστρεφω, tive of γη-not of the earth—the sin-polluted earth. Sanctiperverto, distorqueo. Here it is perversa et depravata. Viæ impiorum dicuntur perversæ. Crit. Sacra. Distorqueo, to distort, is its most literal representative.

w Aδελφοι, omitted by Ln., Tf., as also ύμιν, after δουναι. Both are, indeed, implied. Εν τοις ήγιασμενοις πασιν, amongst all the sanctified. Ayn is the root of a large family, a negativariety.

fication as well as justification and adoption, indicate both an act and a state. There is one that justifies, sanctifies, adopts and saves, as well as pardons a fallen man. There is a state of justification, of sanctification, of adoption and of sulvation. In states there are no degrees, in character there is an indefinite

CHAP. XXI.

And it came to pass, that after we were gotten from them, and had launched, we came with a straight course unto Coos, and the day following unto Rhodes, and from thence unto Patara:

- 2 And finding a ship sailing over unto Phenicia, we went aboard, and set forth.
- 3 Now when we had discovered Cyprus, we left it on the left hand, and sailed into Syria, and landed at Tyre: for there the ship was to unlade her burden.
- 4 And finding disciples, we tarried there seven days: who said to Paul through the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem.
- 5 And when we had accomplished those days, we departed, and went our way; and they all brought us on our way, with wives and children, till we were out of the city: and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.

6 And when we had taken

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'ΩΣ δὲ ἐγένετο ἀναχθῆναι ήμας αποσπασθέντας απ' αὐτων, εύθυδρομήσαντες ήλθομεν είς την Κῶν, τη δὲ έξης είς την 'Ρόδον, κάκειθεν είς Πάταρα. 2 και εύρόντες πλοίον διαπερών είς Φοινίκην, ἐπιβάντες ἀνήχθημεν. 3 ἀναφάναντες δὲ τὴν Kύπρον, καὶ καταλιπόντες αὐτὴν εὐώνυμον, ἐπλέομεν εἰς Συρίαν, καὶ κατήχθημεν είς Τύρον έκεισε γαρ ήν το πλοίον αποφορτιζόμενον τον γόμον. ⁴ καὶ ἀνευρόντες τους μαθητάς, έπεμείναμεν αὐτοῦ ἡμέρας έπτά οἵτινες τῷ Παύλῳ ἔλεγον διὰ τοῦ πνεύματος, μη ἀναβαίνειν είς Ίερουσαλήμ. 5 ότε δε εγένετο ήμας έξαρτίσαι τὰς ἡμέρας, έξελθόντες έπορευόμεθα, προπεμπόντων ήμας πάντων σύν γυναιξί καὶ τέκνοις έως έξω της πόλεως, καὶ θέντες τὰ γόνατα ἐπὶ τὸν αἰγιαλον προσηυξάμεθα. 6 καὶ άσπαour leave one of another, we $\sigma \acute{a}\mu \epsilon \nu o \iota \acute{a}\lambda \lambda \acute{\eta}\lambda o \nu s$, $\acute{\epsilon}\pi \acute{\epsilon}\beta \eta \mu \epsilon \nu \epsilon \acute{\iota}s$ ing embraced one another,

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WHEN now it came to pass, 1 that we put to sea, having departed from ythem, we came with a straight course to Cos, and the day following to Rhodes, and thence to Patara. And having found a ship cross- 2 ing over to Phenicia, we went on board, and set sail. Now 3 having had a view of Cyprus, and having left it behind on the aleft hand, we sailed to Syria, and landed at Tyre: for there the ship was to unlade her cargo. And having sought 4 out the bdisciples, we remained there seven days; who said to Paul, through the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem. But having complet- 5 ed the days, we went on our way; and they all with their wives and children conducted us on our way, till we were out of the city; and having kneeled down on the shore, we prayed. And hav- 6

- ² Διαπερων. Διαπεραω, in its six occurrences in N. T., is represented by passed over, gone over, only here sailing over, com. ver. This is an implied use of the word, for which we see no propriety. We might as well say, in speaking of one passing over a country, that he walked over it, which is not implied in διαπερων; better say crossing over, leaving the manner to the discretion of the reader.
- · Καταλιποντες αυτην ευωνυμον, on the left, an adjective, not an adverb. "Proprie αριστερος est sinister," Kuinœl, Hack.; "sed cum dextræ partes apud veteres boni habebantur ominis; sinistræ autem infelicis, inde factum ut Græci Wakef.; "finished," Wes.

quenter dicerent ευωνυμον, quasi dicas bene nominatum," Kuin., in loco. Αναφαναντες δε την Κυπρον, "and having had a view of Cyprus." Aragairo is found only here, and in Luke 19:11. There it is translated appear, literally, having had Cyprus brought up to sight.

- b Και ανευφοντες τους μαθητας. The article and the preposition in these words are untranslated in com. ver.; fully expressed it should be read, and having sought out the disciples. Aνευρισκω, employed only by Luke, and by him but twice, is translated by found, Luke 2:16, and here by finding. Had it been ευρισκω, this would have sufficed; but the preposition is thereby regarded as redundant, and untranslated; a license of dangerous precedent.
- ^c Εξαρτιζω, in its second occurrence, 2 Tim. 3:17, is rendered thoroughly furnished, here, fully accomplished; with us, "completed," Boothr.; "the days were ended," Thompson,

Aποσπασθεντας. Αποσπαω is, with one exception, found ipsius nominis mentionem formidarent, et pro, αριστερος freonly in Luke, represented, com. ver., by draw, withdraw, draw away; here, after we were gotten away. "Separated from them," Dodd., Wakef.; "having departed from them," De Wette, Rob., Murd.; "torn away," Wes., Penn; separated from," Boothr. "Having torn ourselves from them" is too violent; we prefer, having departed from them.

took ship; and they returned home again.

7 And when we had finished our course from Tyre, we came to Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and abode with them one day.

8 And the next day we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Cesarea; and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was one of the seven; and abode with him.

9 And the same man had four daugthers, virgins, which did prophesy.

10 And as we tarried there many days, there came down from Judea a certain prophet, named Agabus.

11 And when he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle, and shall deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.

12 And when we heard these things, both we, and they of that place, besought him not to go up to Jerusalem.

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τὸ πλοίον, ἐκείνοι δὲ ὑπέστρεψαν ϵ is $\tau \dot{a}$ iδια. ⁷ $H\mu\epsilon$ is $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$ $\tau \dot{o}\nu$ πλοῦν διανύσαντες ἀπὸ Τύρου κατηντήσαμεν είς Πτολεμαΐδα, καὶ ἀσπασάμενοι τοὺς ἀδελφοὺς έμείναμεν ήμέραν μίαν παρ' αὐ-8 τη δε έπαύριον έξελθόντες οἱ περὶ τὸν Παῦλον ἦλθον είς Καισάρειαν καὶ είσελθόντες είς τον οίκον Φιλίππου τοῦ εύαγγελιστοῦ, τοῦ ὄντος ἐκ τῶν ἑπτὰ, έμείναμεν παρ' αὐτῷ. ⁹ τοῦτω δὲ ἦσαν θυγατέρες παρθένοι τέσσαρες προφητεύουσαι. 10 έπιμενόντων δε ήμων ήμερας πλείους, κατηλθέ τις ἀπὸ της Ἰουδαίας προφήτης ονόματι 'Αγαβος· 11 καὶ ἐλθων προς ήμας, καὶ ἄρας την ζώνην τοῦ Παύλου, δήσας τε αύτου τὰς χειρας καὶ τοὺς πόδας εἶπε, Τάδε λέγει τὸ Πνεθμα τὸ Αγιον, Τὸν ἄνδρα οξ έστιν ή ζώνη αύτη, ούτω δήσουσιν έν 'Ιερουσαλημ οί 'Ιουδαίοι, καὶ παραδώσουσιν εἰς χεῖρας έθνων. 12 Ως δὲ ἡκούσαμεν ταῦτα, παρεκαλοῦμεν ἡμεῖς τε καὶ οἱ ἐντόπιοι, τοῦ μὴ ἀναβαίαύτον είς Ίερουσαλήμ. REVISED VERSION.

we went on board the ship, and they returned home. Now we, 7 having completed the voyage, came down from Tyre to Ptolemais, and dsaluted the brethren, and remained with them one day. And the next day 8 we edeparted, and came to Cesarea; and entering into the house of Philip the evangelist, who was one of the seven, we remained with him. Now the 9 same man had four daughters, virgins, who prophesied. And 10 as we remained there several days, there came down from Judea a certain prophet, named Agabus. And when he 11 came to us, he took Paul's girdle, and binding his own hands and feet, said, Thus, says the Holy Spirit, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man who owns this girdle, and shall deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.

Now when we heard these 12 things, both we, and they of that place, besought Paul not to go up to Jerusalem. Then 13

Φιλιππου του ευαγγελιστου, Philip the Evangelist. "This title appears to have been given to those who had no stated pastoral charge, but who traveled from place to place, and preached as they had opportunity," Hack. "Evangelists in the Apostolic age were not the regular and constant teachers of the church, but were sent by the apostles into various cities; ut vel elementa religionis Christiana traderint vel institutionem Apostolorum continuarent," Kuin., as referred to by Professor Hackett, vol. 3, p. 316. It is only found here in the book of Acts, and twice in Paul's epistles, Eph. 4:11; 2 Tim. 4:5.

^d Aσπασαμενοι, osculor, amplector, to salute. Rom. 16:16, "Salute one another with an holy kiss." Paul uses this word very often—nineteen times in the sixteenth chapter of the Romans—indicative of the most cordial greetings and salutations. This being a very solemn and affectionate adieu, it is presumed that no word in our currency so fully expresses it; as the word embraced. This gives the fullest latitude to the reader, to infer the manner of the adieu.

^{*} The phrase, of regi rov Havlov, after exclores, is repudiated, by some of our best critics, as an interpolation. Prof. Hackett affirms it to be untenable. It is retained in Bagster's text. But that is not sufficient authority against the testimony of collators, Elz., Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf.

For ελθον, ελθομεν is substituted by the Elz., Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.

f Aγάβος—τις προφητας, a certain prophet, first named ch. 11:28, and again in this place. He is known to us only as a Christian prophet.

13 Then Paul answered, What mean ye to weep, and to break mine heart? for I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.

14 And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saving, The will of the Lord be done.

15 And after those days we took up our carriages, and went up to Jerusalem.

16 There went with us also certain of the disciples of Cesarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.

17 And when we were come to Jerusalem, the brethren re-

ceived us gladly.

18 And the day following Paul went in with us unto James: and all the elders were present.

19 And when he had saluted them, he declared particularly what things God had wrought among the Gentiles by his ministry.

20 And when they heard it, they glorified the Lord, and said unto him, Thou seest, brother, GREEK TEXT.

 13 $\mathring{a}\pi\epsilon\kappa\rho i\theta\eta$ $\delta\grave{\epsilon}$ \acute{o} $\Pi a\hat{v}\lambda os$, Tiποιείτε κλαίοντες καὶ συνθρύπτοντές μου την καρδίαν; έγω γαρ ού μόνον δεθηναι, άλλα καί άποθανείν είς Ίερουσαλημ έτοίμως έχω ύπερ τοῦ ὀνόματος τοῦ $Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ. <math>^{14}$ $M\`η$ πειθομένου δε αὐτοῦ, ήσυχάσαμεν είπόντες, Τὸ θέλημα τοῦ κυρίου γενέσθω.

15 Μετα δε τας ημέρας ταυτας άποσκευασάμενοι άνεβαίνομεν είς $^{\epsilon}I$ ερουσαλήμ. 16 συνήλhetaον $\delta\dot{\epsilon}$ καὶ τῶν μαθητῶν ἀπὸ Καισαρείας συν ήμιν, άγοντες παρ' ώ ξενισθώμεν, Μνάσωνί τινι Κυ-

πρίφ, ἀρχαίφ μαθητῆ.

 17 $\Gamma ENOMEN\Omega N$ $\delta \epsilon$ $\eta \mu \hat{\omega}
u$ είς Ίεροσόλυμα, άσμένως έδέξαντο ήμας οι άδελφοί. 18 τη δε έπιούση είσηει ο Παῦλος σὺν ήμιν πρὸς Ἰάκωβον, πάντες τε παρεγένοντο οἱ πρεσβύτεροι. 19 καὶ ἀσπασάμενος αὐτοὺς, έξηγείτο καθ' εν έκαστον ων έποίησεν ὁ Θεὸς ἐν τοῖς ἔθνεσι διὰ τῆς ²⁰ οἱ δὲ ἀκούδιακονίας αὐτοῦ. σαντες έδοξαζον τον κύριον είπόν τε αὐτῷ, Θεωρείς άδελφὲ,

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Paul answered, What do you, weeping and breaking my sheart? for I am ready not only to be bound, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus. And when 14 he could not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done!

And after those days we 15 packed up our baggage, and went up to Jerusalem. There 16 went with us certain of the disciples of Cesarea, bringing us to Mnason a Cyprian, an old disciple, with whom we should ilodge.

Now when we were come 17 to Jerusalem, the brethren gladly received us. And the 18 day kfollowing Paul went in with us to James, and all the elders were present. And 19 when he had saluted 1them, he related particularly what things God had wrought among the Gentiles through his ministry. And when they 20 heard it, they glorified the Lord, and said to Paul, You see, brother, what mmyriads how many thousands of Jews πόσαι μυριάδες εἰσὶν Ἰουδαίων of Jews there are who have be-

A ρχαιφ μαθητη = μαθητη απ' αρχης, an ancient, not anaged disciple. We more familiarly say, an old disciple. He may have been converted on the day of Pentecost. Hack.

- ¹ This seems to be the fifth time the apostle visited Jerusalem, since he set out against the brethren at Damascus. For εδεξαντο, απεδεξαντο is preferred by Ln., Tf.
 - k Τη-επιονσια, on, or immediately after, their arrival.
- 1 Aonagameros avrovs. In N. T. currency it is generally represented by salute, embrace, greet.

Δια της διακονίας αυτου, through his ministry.

^g Συνθουπτοντες μου την καρδιαν; breaking my heart? Their distress was unnecessary. Ετοιμως εχω. We have a bold oxymoron, equal to this, chap. 5: 41, κατηξιωθησαν ατιμασθηναι, were accounted worthy to be disgraced, to suffer shame for his name. Hack., Kuin. Elegans oxymorum inesse observarunt, Cassaubonus et Wolfius.

h Επισκευασαμενοι is here preferable to αποσκευασαμενοι, Ln., Tf., Gb. Hack., "having packed up our baggage, and prepared for the journey;" "making up our baggage," Dodd.; "we have put our goods upon," Penn. Dr. Bloomfield asks, why αποσκευασαμενοι should not mean to pack up baggage, as the same verb signifies exonerare alvum. I apprehend the reason to be, because to pack up signifies onerare, and is the reverse of exonerare. Matthæi reads, επισκ., Scholz, αποσκ. Penn.

i Αγοντες-Μνασωνι stands by attraction for αγοντες παρα παρ' ώ ξενισθωμεν, bringing us to Mnason, with whom we should lodge. (Ols., Mey., De Wette, Hackett.)

m Ποσαι μυριαδες, what myriads, multitudes, believe. Zηλωται του νομου, zealots for the law, an objective genitive.

there are which believe; and they are all zealous of the law.

- 21 And they are informed of thee, that thou teachest all the Jews which are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, saying, that they ought not to circumcise their children, neither to walk after the customs.
- 22 What is it therefore? the multitude must needs come together: for they will hear that thou art come.

23 Do therefore this that we say to thee: We have four men which have a vow on them;

24 Them take, and purify thyself with them, and be at charges with them, that they may shave their heads: and all may know that those things whereof they were informed concerning thee, are nothing; but that thou thyself also walkest orderly, and keepest the law.

25 As touching the Gentiles which believe, we have written and concluded that they observe no such thing, save only that they keep themselves from things offered to idols, and from blood, and from strangled, and from fornication.

26 Then Paul took the men, and the next day purifying himself with them, entered into the temple, to signify the accomplishment of the days of puriGREEK TEXT.

των πεπιστευκότων, και πάντες ζηλωταὶ τοῦ νόμου ὑπάρχουσι. 21 κατηχήθησαν δὲ περὶ σοῦ, ὅτι άποστασίαν διδάσκεις άπο Μωσέως τους κατά τὰ έθνη πάντας 'Ιουδαίους, λέγων μὴ περιτέμνειν αύτους τὰ τέκνα, μηδέ τοῖς έθεσι $\pi\epsilon\rho\iota\pi\alpha\tau\epsilon\hat{\imath}\nu$. $^{22}\tau\acute{\imath}$ $o\mathring{\imath}\nu$ $\acute{\epsilon}\sigma\tau\imath$; $\pi\acute{a}\nu$ τως δεί πληθος συνελθείν άκούσονται γὰρ ὅτι ἐλήλυθας. 23 τοῦτο οὖν ποίησον ὅ σοι λέγομεν. είσιν ήμιν άνδρες τέσσαρες εύχην έχοντες έφ' έαυτῶν· 24 τούτους παραλαβών άγνίσθητι σύν αύτοίς, καὶ δαπάνησον ἐπ' αὐτοίς, ίνα ξυρήσωνται την κεφαλήν, καὶ γνῶσι πάντες ὅτι ὧν κατήχηνται περί σοῦ οὐδέν ἐστιν, άλλὰ στοιχείς καὶ αύτὸς τὸν νόμον φυλάσσων. ²⁵ περὶ δὲ τῶν πεπιστευκότων έθνων ήμεις έπεστείλαμεν, κρίναντες μηδέν τοιοῦτον τηρείν αὐτοὺς, εἰ μὴ φυλάσσεσθαι αὐτοὺς τό τε εἰδωλόθυτον καὶ τὸ αξμα καὶ πνικτὸν καὶ πορνείαν. ²⁶ Τότε ὁ Παῦλος παραλαβών τους ἄνδρας, τῆ έχομένη ήμέρα σύν αὐτοῖς άγνισθείς είσηει είς τὸ ίερον, διαγγέλλων την έκπλήρωσιν τῶν fication, until that an offering ημερών του άγνισμου, έως ου of purification, till the offer-

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lieved; and they are all zealous for the law; now they have 21 been informed concerning you, that you teach all the Jews who are among the Gentiles "apostasy from Moses, saying, that they ought not to circumcise their children, neither to walk after the customs. What then is oit? 22 The multitude must needs come together; for they will hear that you have come. Do 23 this, therefore, which we say to you: We have four men who have a pvow on themselves; ataking these with 24 yourself, purify yourself with them, and bear the charges for them, that they may shave their heads: and all will know that those things of which they were informed concerning you, are nothing, but that you yourself also walk orderly, and keep the law.

But as respects the Gen- 25 tiles who have believed, we have already written and concluded, that they observe no such thing; only that they abstain from things offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from all kinds of lewdness.

Then Paul stook the men, 26 and the next day purifying himself with them, entered into the temple, announcing the fulfillment of the days

n Αποστασια, standing off, not merely, standing off, but standing off from. This term, now transferred into our language, needs no representative. Havras, omitted by Ln., Gb., as somewhat doubtful.

[·] Ti ovv εστι; what then, is it? more familiar than, what, therefore, is it?

P Jews alone made such vows. This settled their nationality.

⁴ Τουτους παραλαβων άγνισθητι συν αυτοις, και δαπανησον en' autois, taking these with thyself, purify thyself with them.

 $^{^{\}rm r}$ Περι δε των πεπιστευνοτων εθνων, but, with respect to the Gentiles who have believed, queis, we (the apostles and brethren at Jerusalem), comprehends the whole assembly convened at Jerusalem, reported, "The apostles, the elders, and the brethren," ch. 15:23, Antiochian, Syrian, and Cilician Gentiles, constituted the brethren addressed.

^a Παραλαβων refers to his connecting himself with them, as in v. 24, not to his taking them to the temple. Dur autois belongs to άγνισθεις, not to εισηει, Mey. Hack., "announcing the fulfillment of the days of the purification."

should be offered for every one of them.

27 And when the seven days were almost ended, the Jews, which were of Asia, when they saw him in the temple, stirred up all the people, and laid hands on him,

28 Crying out, Men of Israel, help. This is the man that teacheth all men every where against the people, and the law, and this place: and further, brought Greeks also into the temple; and hath polluted this holy place.

29 (For they had seen before with him in the city, Trophimus, an Ephesian, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple.)

30 And all the city was moved, and the people ran together: GREEK TEXT.

προσηνέχθη ὑπὲρ ένὸς έκάστου ing should be offered for each 27 $\dot{\omega}s$ $\delta\dot{\epsilon}$ αὐτῶν ἡ προσφορά. έμελλον αἱ έπτὰ ἡμέραι συντελείσθαι, οἱ ἀπὸ τῆς ᾿Ασίας 'Ιουδαῖοι θεασάμενοι αύτὸν έν τῶ ἱερῶ, συνέχεον πάντα τὸν όχλον, καὶ ἐπέβαλον τὰς χείρας έπ' αὐτὸν, 28 κράζοντες, 'Ανδρες Ίσραηλίται, βυηθείτε. έστιν ὁ ἄνθρωπος ὁ κατὰ τοῦ λαοῦ καὶ τοῦ νόμου καὶ τοῦ τόπου τούτου πάντας πανταχοῦ διδάσκων έτι τε καὶ Ελληνας είσηγαγεν είς τὸ ίερον, καὶ κεκοίνωκε τὸν ἄγιον τόπον τοῦτον. 29 3 Ησαν γαρ προεωρακότες Τρόφιμον τον Έφέσιον έν τη πόλει σὺν αὐτῷ, ὂν ἐνόμιζον ὅτι εἰς τὸ ίερὸν εἰσήγαγεν ὁ Παῦλος. 30 έκινήθη τε ή πόλις όλη, καὶ έγένετο συνδρομή τοῦ λαοῦ· καὶ

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one of them.

Now as the seven 'days were 27 about to be completed, the Jews who were of Asia, when they saw him in the temple, stirred up all the people, and laid hands on him, crying out, 28 Israelites, help! This is the man who teaches all men every where against people, and the law, and this place: and further "also has brought Greeks into the temple, and has polluted this holy place. For they had for- 29 merly seen with him in the city, 'Trophimus, an Ephesian, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple. And all the city was moved, 30 and the people ran wtogether, and they took Paul and drew $\dot{\epsilon}\pi\iota\lambda\alpha\beta\dot{\rho}\mu\epsilon\nu\rho\iota$ $\tau\hat{\sigma}\nu$ $H\alpha\dot{\nu}\lambda\rho\nu$, $\epsilon\dot{\nu}\lambda$ -and seizing Paul, they dragged

ι Αί έπτα ήμεραι refers to ήμερων του άγνισμου, v. 26. Asia-not the continent so called.

Two opinions have been entertained of the bearing of the import of these seven days, whether in reference to the completion of the vow itself, or in reference to the period when the vow would cease—the first being the vow itself, and the other the completion of its time. The last is, in our judgment, preferable to the first; for the first is opposed to εύρον him at the time of his arrest.

Ωs δε εμελλον, now as the seven days were about to be completed, i. e., according to the views generally entertained, the seven days during which the vow of these Nazarites was still to continue, after Paul became a party to it (Beng., Kuin., Olsh., De W.). At, in this case, refers to the days mentioned v. 26. "Ai, before έπτα ήμερων, in this connection most naturally recalls the ήμερων του άγνισμου just spoken of," Hack. "When the seven days were almost ended," Wakef.; "as the seven days were to be completed," Thomp.; "and when the seventh day arrived," Murd.; "were about to be accomplished," Wes., Dodd.; "when the seven days were almost ended," Boothr.

^a Ετι τε και, and further also. This with Luke is a common phrase. In this book, chs. 1:1; 2:26; 9:1, etc., and, mediately the gates were closed.

further also, moreover. Te is found above one hundred and Ol απο της Ασιας Ιουδαιοι, the Asiatic Jews-proconsular fifty times in this single book of Acts, and but seven times in his gospel.

- v Trophimus the Ephesian first appears in ch. 20:4, and again in 2 Tim. 4:20. Paul left him sick at Miletus. We hear no more of him.
- w Συνδρομη, an άπαξ λεγομενον, found only in this place. It indicates a concourse, especially a crowd rushing together, με ήγνισμενον εν τω ίερω, ch. 24:18. The vow was yet upon or hastily assembled. Its family sprang from τρεχω, I τυησυντρεχω, I run together with others. Hence, in classic currency, it represents any crowd of persons suddenly called together, or assembled; even a mob. Συνδρομος, from συντρεχω, any tumultuous crowd, hastily gathered for any intent, or purpose, constitutes a concourse. It is composed of those who, from passion, or excitement, convene.

Eίλκον-ίερου, they dragged him out of the temple; and εκλεισθησαν αί θυραι, the doors were closed. Drew him out is too mild, too tame for this scene, and this language. Some opine, intending to kill him, but fearing that his blood would pollute and desecrate the sanctuary. Levites alone could lawfully enter the holy place. The altar of burnt-offerings, possessing horns, was the only canonized and conservative refuge of the blood-stained sinner. They dragged him out, and im-

with the doors were shut.

31 And as they went about to kill him, tidings came unto the chief captain of the band, that all Jerusalem was in an uproar:

32 Who immediately took soldiers and centurions, and ran down unto them. And when they saw the chief captain and the soldiers, they left beating of Paul.

33 Then the chief captain came near and took him, and commanded him to be bound with two chains: and demanded who he was, and what he had done.

34 And some cried one thing. some another, among the multitude: and when he could not know the certainty for the tumult, he commanded him to be carried into the castle.

35 And when he came upon the stairs, so it was that he was borne of the soldiers, for the violence of the people.

36 For the multitude of the people followed after, crying, Away with him.

37 And as Paul was to be led into the castle, he said unto the $\tau \dot{\eta} \nu \pi \alpha \rho \epsilon \mu \beta o \lambda \dot{\eta} \nu \dot{o} H \alpha \hat{v} \lambda o s \lambda \dot{\epsilon} \gamma \epsilon \iota$ be led into the castle, he said

GREEK TEXT.

him out of the temple. And forth- κον αὐτον έξω τοῦ ίεροῦ· καὶ him out of the *temple: and imευθέως έκλείσθησαν αι θύραι. 31 ζητούντων δὲ αὐτον ἀποκτεῖναι, ἀνέβη φάσις τῷ χιλιάρχω της σπείρης, ὅτι ὅλη συγκέχυται Ιερουσαλήμο 32 δς έξαυτης παραλαβών στρατιώτας καὶ έκατοντάρχους, κατέδραμεν έπ' αὐτούς. οι δε ιδόντες τον χιλίαρχον καὶ τους στρατιώτας, ἐπαύσαντο τύπτοντες τὸν Παῦλον. 33 τότε έγγίσας ο χιλίαρχος έπελάβετο αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐκέλευσε δεθηναι άλύσεσι δυσί· καὶ έπυνθάνετο τίς ἂν είη, καὶ τί έστι πεποιηκώς. 34 ἄλλοι δὲ ἄλλο τι έβόων έν τῷ ὄχλφ· μὴ δυνάμενος δε γνώναι το ασφαλές δια τον θόρυβον, έκέλευσεν άγεσθαι αύτον είς την παρεμβολήν. 35 ότε δέ έγενετο έπὶ τους άναβαθμους, συνέβη βαστάζεσθαι αὐτὸν ὑπὸ τῶν στρατιωτῶν διὰ τὴν βίαν τοῦ όχλου. ³⁶ ήκολούθει γαρ το πληθος τοῦ λαοῦ κράζον, Αἶρε αὐτόν. 37 Μέλλων τε εἰσάγεσθαι εἰς

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mediately the doors were shut. And bas they were seeking to 31 kill him, 'word came up 'to the chiliarch of the cohort, that all Jerusalem was in confusion: who immediately took 32 soldiers and centurions, and ran down gupon them. And when they saw the chiliarch and the soldiers, they becased from beating Paul. Then the chiliarch 33 drew near and took him, and commanded him to be bound with two chains and inquired who khe might be, and what he had done. But some min the 34 "crowd "were shouting one thing, and some another: and when he could not know the certainty, pon account of the tumult, he commanded him qto be led into the castle. And 35 when the was on the stairs, it came to pass that he was borne by the soldiers, "on account of the violence of the verowd. For the multitude 36 of the people followed, crying out, Away with him! And as Paul was wabout to 37

there was an ascent by steps. See αναβαθμους, in v. 35.

d Τω χιλιαρχω, "to the chiliarch." This word, which liter-

h Επαυσαντο τυπτοντες, "ceased from beating." Wesley, Penn, Dodd., Scarlett.

i "The chiliarch." See v. 31, note.
i Εγγισας, "drew near." Wakef., Dodd., Rob. (Lex.)
k Δν ειη, "he might be." This optative should not be rendered as an indicative. It is to be distinguished from the indicative which follows it, $\tau \iota$ $\varepsilon \sigma \tau \iota$. See Trollope (Gram.), p. 142. Beza, Vulg., Eras., "esset."

* In accordance with the text, a colon is placed after "temple."

So Wesley, Wakef., Penn, Scarlett.

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imperfect should have its usual continuative force here. So Vulg.,

* Της οπείρης, " of the cohort." Wesley, Dick., Dodd., Scarlett, Murdock.

† Συγκεχυται, " was in confusion." Penn, Wakef, Dick. S. Fr., "était en confusion." See Rob. Lex. on this verb.

† Επανσαντο τυπτοντες, "ceased from both." Ent. Toys αναβαίθμους. After position is the series of the cohort." Albert and Liddell's Lex. Vulg., Mont., Eras., Beza, Castal., "duci;" Schott, "deduci." So (E. V.) Mark 13:11. Luke 4:1, 29; 22:54.

† Εγενετο, "he was." Dodd., Penn, Sharpe, Wakef., ("Paul" S. Fr., "it fut."

* Επι τους αναβαίθμους. After position is the cohort."

appropriate preposition.

¹ Συνεβη, "it came to pass." Dodd. Beza, "evenit;" S. Fr., "il arriva." See this verb, Rob. (Lex.)

¹ Δια, "on account of." See v. 34, note. So Penn, Kend.

v "Crowd." See v. 34, note.

" "Mελλων—εισαγεισθαι, "about to be led." Penn, Kend. Schott, "introducendus;" Mont., "Futurus—induci;" S. Fr., "on allait faire entrer Paul."

chief captain, May I speak unto thee? Who said, Canst thou speak Greek?

38 Art thou not that Egyptian, which before these days madest an uproar, and leddest out into the wilderness four thousand men that were murderers?

39 But Paul said, I am a man which am a Jew of Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city: and I beseech thee suffer me to speak unto the people.

40 And when he hath given him license, Paul stood on the stairs, and beckoned with the hand unto the people. when there was made a great silence, he spake unto them in the Hebrew tongue, saying,

CHAP. XXII.

MEN, brethren, and fathers, hear ye my defence which I make now unto you.

2 (And when they heard that he spake in the Hebrew tongue to them, they kept the more silence: and he saith.)

GREEK TEXT.

τῷ χιλιάρχῳ, Ει ἔξεστί μοι εί- $\pi \epsilon \hat{\imath} \nu \tau \iota \pi \rho \acute{o} s \sigma \epsilon$; $O \delta \hat{\epsilon} = \hat{\epsilon} \phi n$ Έλληνιστὶ γινώσκεῖς; άρα σὺ εἶ ὁ Αἰγύπτιος ὁ πρὸ τούτων τῶν ἡμερῶν ἀναστατώσας καὶ έξαγαγων είς την έρημον τους τετρακισχιλίους άνδρας $Ei\pi\epsilon$ $\delta\epsilon$ δ τῶν σικαρίων; Παῦλος, Ἐγὰ ἄνθρωπος μέν είμι 'Ιουδαίος Ταρσεύς, της Κιλικίας ούκ ἀσήμου πόλεως πολίτης δέομαι δέ σου, ἐπίτρεψόν μοι λαλησαι προς τον λαόν.

 40 Έπιτρέψαντος δὲ αὐτοῦ, ό Παῦλος έστως έπὶ των άναβαθμῶν κατέσεισε τῆ χειρὶ τῷ λαφ̂· πολλης δὲ σιγης γενομένης, προσεφώνησε τῆ Εβραΐδι διαλεκτφ λέγων,

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"Ανδρες άδελφοὶ καὶ πατέρες, άκούσατέ μου της προς ύμας νῦν 2 'Ακούσαντες δέ άπολογίας. ότι τῆ Έβραΐδι διαλέκτω προσεφώνει αὐτοῖς, μᾶλλον παρέσχον ήσυχίαν.

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to the chiliarch, May I speak to you? Who said, Do you know dGreek? Are you not 38 then that Egyptian, who before these days made an uproar, and led out into the wilderness the four thousand eassassins? But Paul said, I am, 39 indeed, a Jew from Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city; and I beseech you to permit me to speak to the people. And when he had 40 permitted him, Paul stood on the stairs, and waved with his hand to the people; and when there was made a great silence, he spoke to them in the Hebrew stongue, saving,

CHAP. XXII.

Brethren, and bfathers! 1 Hear my defense which I now make to you. And when they 2 heard that he spoke the Hebrew tongue, they kept the καί φησιν, 3 Έγ $\dot{\omega}$ greater silence. And he says,

- stands in place of the object, and $\lambda \alpha \lambda \epsilon \iota \nu$ is not to be supplied," Kuin., Hack. Tovs Συριστι επισταμενους, Xen., Cyr., 7. 5. 31, and in Latin, Græce nescire. Mey., De Wette, Hack.
- Ουκ αρα ου ει δ Αιγυπτιος δ προ τουτων των ήμερων, κ. τ. λ., "art thou not that Egyptian who formerly led out into the wilderness the four thousand of the assassins?" Thomp. Εις την ερημον, viz. between Egypt and Palestine, as he came from that direction. Tous rereasionies, the four thousand. Tholuck as quoted by Hackett. "The event seems to have been quite recent, the precise number being so well known. Felix—when procurator of Judea—was familiar with this fact, occurring as it did during his administration of its affairs. it, from the Roman sica, a curved dagger, adapted by its form to be concealed beneath the clothes. They could use it Murdock.
- 4 Ελληνιστι γινωσκεις, do you know Greek? "The adverb | for striking a fatal blow, in a crowd, without being observed." Hackett.
 - ^f Εγω ανθοωπος μεν ειμι Ιουδαιος Ταρσευς, της Κιλικιας ουκ ασημου πολεως πολιτης, I am, indeed, a Tarsion Jew. Tagoevs and Tagevs, nomen urbis Syria-Tagoevs and Tagoos -are both found in the original Scriptures-a Jew of Tarsos, or Ταρσευς.
 - ⁵ Τη Έβραϊδι διαλεκτφ, in the Syro-Chaldaic. See John 5:2;19:13.
- h Αδελφοι και πατερες. Here, as in ch. 7:2, ανδρες is a mere qualification of αδελφοι και πατερες. Some, however, suppose that ardoes represents those present, who were neither Jewish brethren nor Sanhedrists, nor civil rulers. It is more, however, in consonance with the Jewish idiom to re-They were called the Sicarii, taking their name, or receiving gard it as above, inasmuch as Paul appeals only to the Jews, speaking in the Hebrew tongue. See Wakef., Wesley, Penn,

3 I am verily a man which am a Jew, born in Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, and taught according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers, and was zealous toward God, as ye all are this day.

4 And I persecuted this way unto the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men

and women.

5 As also the high priest doth bear me witness, and all the estate of the elders; from whom also I received letters unto the brethren, and went to Damascus, to bring them which were there bound unto Jerusalem, for to be punished.

6 And it came to pass, that, as I made my journey, and was come nigh unto Damascus about noon, suddenly there shone from

me.

7 And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto thou me?

8 And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said unto me, I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom thou persecutest.

GREEK TEXT.

μέν είμι άνηρ 'Ιουδαίος, γεγεννημένος έν Ταρσώ της Κιλικίας, ανατεθραμμένος δὲ ἐν τῆ πόλει ταύτη παρά τους πόδας Γαμαλιήλ, πεπαιδευμένος κατά άκρίβειαν τοῦ πατρώου νόμου, (ηλωτης ύπάρχων τοῦ Θεοῦ, καθώς πάντες ύμεις έστε σήμερον 4 ος ταύτην την όδον έδίωξα άγρι θανάτου, δεσμεύων καὶ παραδιδούς είς φυλακάς ἄνδρας τε καὶ γυναίκας, 5 ώς καὶ ὁ άρχιερεὺς μαρτυρεί μοι, καὶ πᾶν τὸ πρεσβυτέριον παρ ών καὶ ἐπιστολὰς δεξάμενος προς τους άδελφους, είς Δαμασκον έπορευόμην, άξων καὶ τοὺς ἐκεῖσε ὄντας, δεδεμένους ϵ is ' $I\epsilon$ ρουσαλημ, ΐνα τιμωρηθώσιν. ⁶ ϵγϵνϵτο δϵ μοι πορϵνομένφ καὶ έγγίζοντι τῆ Δαμασκῷ περί μεσημβρίαν έξαίφνης έκ τοῦ heaven a great light round about | οὐρανοῦ περιαστράψαι φῶς ίκανον περί έμέ 7 έπεσόν τε είς το έδαφος, καὶ ήκουσα φωνης λεme, Saul, Saul, why persecutest γούσης μοι, Σαούλ, Σαούλ, τί με διώκεις; 8 Έγω δὲ ἀπεκρίθην, Τίς εἶ κύριε; Εἶπέ τε πρός με, Έγω είμι Ίησοῦς ὁ Ναζωραίος ὃν σὺ διώκεις. 9 Oi Sè

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I am indeed a Jew, born in 3 Tarsus in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city, and taught at the feet of Gamaliel, according to the perfect law of our fathers, and was as zealous toward God, as you all are this day. And I persecuted those 4 of this way to death, binding and delivering into prison both men and woman, as also the 5 high priest and the whole body of the elders can bear me testimony; from whom also I received letters to the brethren, and went to Damascus, to bring those that were bound there to Jerusalem, to be punished. And as I was on my 6 kjourney, and was come nigh to Damascus about noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a great light around me: and I ifell to the ground, and 7 heard a voice saying to me, Saul, Saul, why do you persecute mme? And I answered, 8 Who art thou, Lord? And he said to me, I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you persecute. And they who were 9

· Ανατεθοαμμενος-ανατρεφω, to nourish, to bring up. by Grotius and Hackett. To persecute Christians to death, In our country and currency, to raise, raised up-a provincialism to be avoided. We raise live stock, and we raise families. We nourish children. We supply the means of support, of growth, and physical and mental development.

Πεπαιδευμένος has respect to his education, but ανατεθοαμμενος to his physical development. While born at Tarsus, he was both brought up to manhood and educated in

Jerusalem.

1 Ταυτην την όδον, those of this way. It is with us, in this age and country, to say A is of "this way of thinking," and B of "that way of thinking." These we regard as provincialisms which should not have any place in the book which every man should read, and whose style must, more or less, enter into that of all who love to read it. Its formative influence is observed in all who make it a study.

Aχοι θανατου. The result, not the aim, as well observed

however irreligious, on the part of persecutors, is nevertheless a legible and conspicuous monument on their part, in attestation of the value which they profess to cherish for true religion. In the very act of persecution, all persecutors confess that true religion is of transcendent importance. infidels hate it, because it threatens eternal ruin to all those who oppose its claims and pretensions. To banish, to kill, or even to imprison any one for his faith, is a tribute paid to the faith which he professes, indicative of the impotency of those who war against it. No infidel can be a martyr in its proper

k Not "event," επορευομην—was journeying. We say in our idiom, was on his journey.

1 Επεσα is, in our text, changed into επεσον. The former is an Alexandrian form. Hackett.

^m See ch. 9: 4, note z.

9 And they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid; but they heard not the voice of him that spake to me.

10 And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said unto me, Arise, and go unto Damascus, and there it shall be told thee of all things which are appointed for thee to do.

11 And when I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Da-

mascus.

12 And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt there,

13 Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him.

14 And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, GREEK TEXT.

συν έμοι όντες το μεν φως έθεάσαντο, καὶ ἔμφοβοι ἐγένοντο· την δε φωνην ούκ ήκουσαν τοῦ 10 $\epsilon i\pi o\nu$ $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$, Tiλαλοῦντός μοι. ποιήσω κύριε; 'Ο δὲ κύριος εἶπε πρός με, 'Αναστάς πορεύου είς Δαμασκόν. κάκεῖ σοι λαληθήσεται περί πάντων ὧν τέτακταί σοι ποιησαι. 11 'Ως δὲ οὐκ ἐνέβλεπον άπὸ της δόξης τοῦ φωτὸς έκείνου, χειραγωγούμενος ύπὸ των συνόντων μοι, ήλθον είς Δα- 12 'Avavías $\delta \epsilon$ τ is, μασκόν. άνηρ εύσεβης κατά τὸν νόμον, μαρτυρούμενος ύπο πάντων τῶν κατοικούντων 'Ιουδαίων, 13 έλθων πρός με καὶ ἐπιστὰς εἶπέ μοι, Σαούλ άδελφε, άνάβλεψον. Κάγω αὐτῆ τῆ ώρα ἀνέβλεψα εἰς αὐτόν. ¹⁴ ὁ δὲ εἶπεν, O Θεὸςτῶν πατέρων ἡμῶν προεχειρίthat thou shouldest know his σατό σε γνῶναι τὸ θέλημα αὐ- qyou, that you should know his

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with me, saw indeed the light, and were afraid: but they understood not the "voice of him that spake to me. And 10 I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said to me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it shall be told you concerning all the things which are appointed you to do. And as I could not see 11 for the splendor of that light, I was led by the hand by those who were with me, and came into Damascus. And 12 one Ananias, a odevout man according to the law, well spoken of among all the Jews who dwelt there, came to me, and stood, and said to me, Brother 13 Saul, receive your sight, and the same hour I looked up upon phim. And he said, The 14 God of our fathers has chosen

Και εμφοβοι εγενοντο. Omitted by Ln., Tf.; a probable omission by Gb.

- ° $Ev\sigma\varepsilon\beta\eta\varsigma$, not $\varepsilon\nu\lambda\alpha\beta\eta\varsigma$, is the true reading in this place. Hack., "cum multis aliis."
- P Not αναβλεψον, as chap. 9:12, but αναβλεψα εις αυτον, I looked up, upon him.
- q Προεχειρισατο σε γνωναι προχειριζωμαι; found only here and in ch. 26:16. "Hath chosen thee," com. ver., and in ch. 26. We have again in this book, ch. 10: 41, προχειφοτονεομαι rendered "chosen before."

These two words, προχειρίζομαι and προχειροτονεομαι, are not precise equivalents. The former is rendered, in the Vul-

ⁿ Την δε φωνην ουκ ηκουσαν. Wakef., Wes., Penn, Murd., | preparavit te, he has prepared thee; by Beza, designavit te, he has designed thee; by the Syriac, Arabic, and Athiopic, constituit te, he has constituted thee, or appointed you. Non gravate verto. "I do not with regret," says Edward Leigh, author of the "Critica Sacra," the sacred criticisms, on both Testaments, Hebrew and Greek, "translate προεχειρισατο, in this place, sumpsit to ut cognoscas voluntatem ejus, he has taken you, chosen you, or drawn you. By the Greek classic writers, αιρουμαι, representative of בתר, may indicate, to choose, to claim, to elect. See Phil. 1:22;2 Thess. 2:1,3; Hebrews 11: 25. Αιφεομαι, eligo, is tantamount to "I have chosen thee." Choosing rather to suffer affliction, com. ver. of Heb. 11: 25. "Chosen thee," in this place, covers the whole area of this word, so far as we can trace its history in holy and classic writings.

Προχειροτονεομαι, prius designor, Acts 10:41. It is found nowhere else in holy writ; and here, in its participial form, ποο χειοοτονημενοις—the longest word in the Christian Scriptures—a composite term of three words, noo, ante, before; χειρ, hand, and τεινω, tendo, extendo, in its elements, I before stretched out my hand; tantamount, in miniature, to, I choose. The etymological history of the word choose, as given by Webster and Richardson, in its Anglo-Saxon origin, is: ceosan, cisan, chese, choice, anciently written chose; to cull out one gate, præordinavit te, has foreordained thee; by Erasmus, thing before another; tantamount to eligo, elect, or choose out

Thompson have "hear;" Boothroyd has "distinctly heard." In Hebrew usage it is often equivalent to understand and obey. And as they saw the light, we must suppose they heard; for why should one sense be paralyzed, and not the other? It is, therefore, more consonant, to employ the figurative sense, understand, than the literal, hear. Axover sometimes passes into of $\delta \varepsilon$. So we find it in Mark 14:11. Robinson's Greek Lex. This is a Hebraism very common in the gospels; to hear is to understand, and sometimes to obey, in Hebrew usage. See Gesenius.

will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.

15 For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard.

16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

17 And it came to pass, that,

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τοῦ, καὶ ἰδεῖν τὸν δίκαιον, καὶ will, and see that Just One, άκοῦσαι φωνην ἐκ τοῦ στόματος and hear the voice of his ¹⁵ ὅτι ἔση μάρτυς αὐτῷ πρὸς πάντας ἀνθρώπους, ὧν έώ- rwitness to all men, of what ρακας καὶ ηκουσας. 16 καὶ νῦν you have seen and heard. τί μέλλεις; ἀναστὰς βάπτισαι And now why do you delay? 16 καὶ ἀπόλουσαι τὰς ἁμαρτίας σου, Arise, and be immersed, and ἐπικαλεσάμενος τὸ ὄνομα τοῦ wash away your sins, invokκυρίου. 17 Έγένετο δέ μοι ὑπο- ing the name of the Lord. στρέψαντι είς Ίερουσαλημ, καὶ And when I returned to Je- 17

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mouth. For you shall be his 15 when I was come again to Je- $\pi\rho\sigma\sigma\epsilon\nu\chi\sigma\mu\epsilon\nu\sigma\nu$ $\mu\sigma\nu$ $\epsilon\nu$ $\tau\hat{\phi}$ $i\epsilon\rho\hat{\phi}$, rusalem, even while I prayed

of to prefer, to select from others of the same class, tribe, or | that of one, or more of his five senses. This is the reason condition. For some reason, from coesan, Saxon, up to pup. to collect, select, or to choose, intimates a class from which, and a class to which, the person or thing to which preference is given, is assigned. Indeed, all this is implied and expressed in the word preference, which we have taken from the Romans of ancient pagan Rome. Preference, in its etymology and in our currency, is placing one thing or person before another. This appears equally true in creation, providence, moral government, and in redemption.

Ποοσχειροτονεομαι, prius designor. But why the word zero, hand! and that, too, as the central idea in the radix of this word! Its philosophy and philology is thus given by plenary authority. Graca vox dicta est a porrigindis digitis. quo gestro suffragabatur olim populus. So Erasmus and Beza. In former or ancient times, the people gave their suffrage by stretching out their fingers; what we laconically call a shew of hands, or fingers. See Critica Sacra, ad verbum,

· Ότι εση μαρτυς. Μαρτυς and μαρτυρ always have in them the full orbed idea of a witness. The slain witnesses have had the posthumous honor of having this word, almost if not altogether, appropriated to them. They constitute, in the minds of the multitude, the only martyrs. But it is a superlative mistake.

Paul and the original twelve were all martyrs, in its proper sense, from the day of Pentecost to the last verse, and to the last word of John at the close of the Apocalypse. All other martyrs, so called, are unworthy of the name, as used in the Christian Scriptures. Webster, in his Dictionary, says, "a martyr is one who by his death bears witness to the truth of the Gospel." This is true lexicographically, or in the currency of English and other modern languages. But currency is not always gold; and, in this case, it is base coin. No one could be a witness of Christ's death, burial, resurrection, or ascension, who did not witness, or see, with his own eyes, these events; and this is precisely tantamount to saying, that no one could be a martyr on any other testimony than on

why Paul was born out of due time, and never could have been a martyr, had not Jesus Christ visibly appeared to him, and so spoke that he both saw him, and heard his voice. Hence the declaration, you shall be his witness, or martyr to all men, of what you have seen and heard.

* Αναστας βαπτισαι και απολυσαι τας αμαρτιας σου. We have here three imperatives in fact, and two in form. Avagras. This verse is felicitously exegetically developed by Professor Hackett. We shall quote the whole of it:

"Avaoras stands opposed to medders, that is, without delay. See on ch. 9:18. Baxtioai, be baptized; or, with a stricter adherence to the form, have thyself baptized (De Wette). One of the uses of the middle voice is to express an act which a person procures another to perform for him. This is the only instance in which the verb occurs, in this voice, with reference to Christian baptism.

"Kai anolovoai ras auagrias oov, and wash away your sins. This clause states a result of the immersion, in language derived from the nature of that ordinance. It answers to εις αφεσιν άμαρτιων, in ch. 2:38. Immersion is represented as having this importance or efficacy because it is the sign of the repentanae and faith which are the conditions of salvation. Επικαλεσαμένος το ονομά αυτου supplies, essentially, the place of ext re ovorant Ingov Xpiorov, in ch. 2:38. See the note on that clause. Tov Krow, after ovoua, has much less support than avrov. It is rejected by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. The pronoun can refer only to Christ. Comp. ch. 9:14."

Prof. Hackett sustains the com. ver. of this verse. His words are: "This clause states a result of baptism in language derived from the nature of that ordinance. It answers to εις ασεσιν άμαρτιων, in Acts 2: 38, i. e., submit to the rite in order to be forgiven. In both passages baptism is represented as having this importance or efficacy, because it is the sign of the repentance and faith, which are the conditions of this salvation." See Hackett, 22:10.

rusalem, even while I prayed in the temple, I was in a trance;

18 And saw him saying unto me, Make haste, and get thee quickly out of Jerusalem; for they will not receive thy testimony concerning me.

19 And I said, Lord, they know that I imprisoned, and beat in every synagogue them

that believed on thee:

20 And when the blood of thy martyr Stephen was shed. I also was standing by, and consenting unto his death, and kept the raiment of them that slew him.

21 And he said unto me, Depart: for I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles.

22 And they gave him audience unto this word, and then lifted up their voices, and said, Away with such a fellow from the earth: for it is not fit that he should live.

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γενέσθαι με έν έκστάσει, 18 καὶ ίδειν αύτον λέγοντά μοι, Σπεῦσον καὶ έξελθε έν τάχει έξ 'Ιερουσαλήμο διότι οὐ παραδέξονταί σου τὴν μαρτυρίαν περὶ ἐμοῦ. 19 Κάγω είπου, Κύριε, αὐτοὶ ἐπίστανται, ὅτι ἐγὼ ἤμην φυλακίζων καὶ δέρων κατὰ τὰς συναγωγάς τους πιστεύοντας έπὶ σέ ²⁰ καὶ ὅτε ἐξεχεῖτο τὸ αἶμα Στεφάνου τοῦ μάρτυρός σου, καὶ αύτὸς ήμην έφεστως καὶ συνευδοκών τη άναιρέσει αὐτοῦ, καὶ φυλάσσων τὰ ίμάτια τῶν ἀναιρούντων αὐτόν. 21 Καὶ εἶπε πρός με, Πορεύου, ὅτι ἐγὰ εἰς ἔθνη μακραν έξαποστελώ σε.

22 "Ηκουον δὲ αὐτοῦ ἄχρι τούτου τοῦ λόγου, καὶ ἐπῆραν τὴν φωνην αύτων λέγοντες, Αἶρε άπὸ τῆς γῆς τὸν τοιοῦτον οΰ γὰρ καθῆκον αὐτὸν ζῆν. ²³ Kραυ- shouted, and threw up their

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in the temple, I was in a trance; and beheld him say- 18 ing to me, Make haste, and go quickly out of Jerusalem; for they will not receive your testimony concerning me. And 19 I said, Lord, they know that I imprisoned, and beat in every synagogue those who believed on thee: And when the blood 20 of Stephen thy "witness, was shed, I also was standing by consenting, and kept the raiment of them who slew him. And he said to me, Depart; 21 for I will send you out far whence to the Gentiles.

And they heard him up to 22 this word, and then raised their voices, and said, Away with such a fellow from the earth: for it is not fit that he should wlive. And as they 23 23 And as they cried out, and γαζόντων δε αὐτῶν, καὶ ριπτούν- clothes, and cast dust into

Me accompanies γενεσθαι, though εγενετο has the same logical subject.

^u See v. 15, note r.

Tn avaiosoi omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.

 v Ezaxovrellw. Stellw, I send; axo, from me; $\epsilon\xi$, out; or, I send out from me. Anootello whence anootolos, and whence aποστολη. This is a very peculiar word. It is first found in N. Test., Matt. 10:2; but it is of higher antiquity. It was used by the Greeks from a very high antiquity. It was first indicative of any one sent out with power, or authority-mittere cum potestate et autoritate aliqua.

The captains of ships, long before the Christian era, were by the ancients called apostles. Chamier, quoted by Leigh, in his Crit. Sacra, says, "Significat cursum navis dirigere et de dirigendis navibus disponere et constituere." Indeed, στολος

was called, by the ancient Greeks, an apostle, or apostolos.

Jesus Christ, the great captain of salvation, is called an apostle, rather the apostle, as well as the high priest of our religion, Heb. 3:1; certain brethren, 2 Cor. 8:23, are called the apostles of the churches-messengers, com. ver. Epaphroditus is called an apostle of the church at Philippi. All persons commissioned by an individual, a city, a government, and sent with any message, or on any errand, is entitled to the full import and meaning of the word apostle. But those whom Jesus Christ himself educated, inspired, and commissioned, are the only apostles clothed with his authority, and entitled to all obedience, respect, and honor by all the disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, emphatically himself called the apostle, as well as the high priest of our religion.

Εξαποστελλω, I will send you out as an apostle. This phrase cannot be exactly rendered in our language.

- w Αχοι τουτου του λογου. This is specially definitive of the very word on the utterance of which he was interrupted. We have a similar instance of such definiteness in the narrative, in ch. 19: 25. Ου γαρ καθηκον αυτον ζην, for it was inexpedient, or, it was not fit that he should live.
- * Ριπτουντων τα ίματια, "not throwing off their garments classem significat; hence the commander of a fleet, or navy as a preparation for stoning Paul," (Grotius, Hack.) being

^{*} Exornois. Literally, an ecstasy. This word occurs eight | times in the N. T., four times translated trance, twice amazement, and twice astonishment. Trance, in Luke's style, four times indicates an ecstasy, or suspension of the senses. It is such a paroxysm as suspends the action of all the senses for a time, and places the mind beyond the control of the physical laws of our being.

cast off their clothes, and threw dust into the air.

24 The chief captain commanded him to be brought into the castle, and bade that he should be examined by scourging; that he might know wherefore they cried so against him.

25 And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said unto the centurion that stood by, Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned?

26 When the centurion heard that, he went and told the chief captain, saying, Take heed what thou doest; for this man is a Roman.

27 Then the chief captain came, and said unto him, Tell me, art thou a Roman? said, Yea.

28 And the chief captain answered, With a great sum obtained I this freedom. And Paul said, But I was free-born.

29 Then straightway they departed from him which should have examined him: and the chief captain also was afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him.

30 On the morrow, because

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των τὰ ἱμάτια, καὶ κονιορτον βαλλόντων είς τον άέρα, 24 έκέλευσεν αὐτὸν ὁ χιλίαρχος ἄγεσθαι είς την παρεμβολήν, είπων μάστιξιν ἀνετάζεσθαι αὐτὸν, ἵνα έπιγνώ δι' ην αιτίαν ούτως έπε- $\phi \dot{\omega} \nu o \upsilon \nu \quad \alpha \dot{\upsilon} \tau \dot{\varphi} . \quad ^{25} \dot{\omega} s \quad \delta \dot{\epsilon} \quad \pi \rho o \dot{\epsilon}$ τεινεν αύτον τοις ιμασιν, είπε προς του έστωτα έκατουταρχου ο Παθλος, Ει άνθρωπον 'Ρωμαΐον καὶ ἀκατάκριτον ἔξεστιν ύμιν μαστίζειν; 26' Ακούσας δε ο έκατόνταρχος, προσελθών ἀπήγγειλε τῷ χιλιάρχῳ λέγων, "Ορα τί μελλεις ποιείν· ὁ γὰρ ἄνθρωπος οδτος Ρωμαϊός έστι. ² Προσελθων δε ο χιλίαρχος είπεν αύτω, Λέγε μοι, εί σὺ Pωμαῖος ϵ ἶ; O δ ϵ έ $\phi\eta$, Nαί. ²⁸ 'Απεκρίθη τε ὁ χιλίαρχος, Έγω πολλοῦ κεφαλαίου τὴν πολιτειαν ταύτην έκτησάμην. δὲ Παῦλος ἔφη, Ἐγὰ δὲ καὶ γε- 29 $E \dot{v} heta \dot{\epsilon} \omega s$ $o \dot{v} \dot{a} \pi \dot{\epsilon}$ - $\gamma \dot{\epsilon} \nu \nu \eta \mu \alpha i$. στησαν άπ' αὐτοῦ οἱ μέλλοντες αὐτὸν ἀνετάζειν. καὶ ὁ χιλίαρχος δὲ ἐφοβήθη, ἐπιγνοὺς ὅτι $P\omega$ μαῖός έστι, καὶ ὅτι ἦν αὐτὸν δεδεκώς.

30 Τη δὲ ἐπαύριον βουλόμενος

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the air, the chiliarch com-24 manded him to be brought into the castle, and ordered that he should be examined by scourging, that he might ascertain wherefore they cried out against him. And as they 25 were binding him with *thongs, Paul said to the centurion who stood by, Is it lawful for you to scourge a man who is a Roman, and uncondemned? When the 26 centurion heard that, he went and told the chiliarch, saying, Take *heed what you are about to do; for this man is a Roman. Then the chiliarch came, and 27 said to him, Tell me, are you a Roman? He said, Yes. And 28 the chiliarch answered, With a great sum I obtained this citizenship; and Paul said, But I was born with it. Then 29 immediately they departed from him who were about to have examined him; and the chiliarch also was afraid after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him.

On the next day, being de- 30 he would have known the cer- γνωναι το ἀσφαλές, το τί κατη- sirous to know with certainty

the air-at the same time casting dust into the air. This is usually done by mobs and infuriate persons, to excite the passions of those around them.

ν Ο χιλιαρχος-εκελευσεν-μαστιξιν ανεταζεσθαι αυτον, the chiliarch gave orders that he should be examined by scourging. Such was Roman civilization compared with ours, or rather with Christian civilization. Einw, directing; saying is too tame for such an oracle at such a time. $E\pi\omega$ is sometimes represented by command, Luke 4:3; 9:54; 2 Cor. 4:6, etc.

• Os δε προετεινεν αυτον τοις έμασιν, "as they stretched him

now a prisoner-rather tossing them in a frenzied mood into | forth for the thongs," De Wette, Meyer, Rob. Others say, "stretched him forth with the thongs," consisting of a plurality. It would appear with those in use, according to law. This seems to be indicated by the fact that the chiliarch commanded him to be unbound, as soon as he understood that he was a Roman citizen. Hack.

> Binding him as a prisoner was not illegal, but binding him for scourging was illegal, and, therefore, the centurion feared the law, and released him.

> a "Take heed," lacks authority, and is rejected by Gb., and others. It is merely a supplement. The most approved reading is simply, "What do you?" This man is a Roman!

his bands, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and brought Paul down, and set him before them.

CHAP. XXIII.

And Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Men and brethren, I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day.

2 And the high priest Ananias commanded them that stood by him, to smite him on the mouth.

3 Then said Paul unto him. wall: for sittest thou to judge me after the law, and commandest me to be smitten contrary to the law?

4 And they that stood by,

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tainty wherefore he was accused γορείται παρά των Ἰουδαίων, of the Jews, he loosed him from $|\dot{\epsilon}\lambda\nu\sigma\epsilon\nu|$ $\alpha\dot{\nu}\dot{\tau}\dot{\nu}\nu$ $\dot{\alpha}\pi\dot{\rho}$ $\tau\hat{\omega}\nu$ $\delta\epsilon\sigma\mu\hat{\omega}\nu$, καὶ ἐκέλευσεν ἐλθεῖν τοὺς ἀρχιερείς καὶ ὅλον τὸ συνέδριον αὐτῶν καὶ καταγαγών τὸν Παῦλον έστησεν είς αὐτούς.

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 $ATENI\Sigma A\Sigma \delta \delta \delta \Pi \alpha \hat{v} \lambda \delta \delta$ τῷ συνεδρίῳ εἶπεν, "Ανδρες άδελφοὶ, έγὰ πάση συνειδήσει άγαθη πεπολίτευμαι τῷ Θεῷ ἄχρι ταύτης της ημέρας. 2 Ο δε άρχιερευς 'Ανανίας έπέταξε τοις παρεστῶσιν αὐτῷ, τύπτειν αὐτοῦ 3 τότε ὁ Παῦλος τὸ στόμα. God shall smite thee, thou whited $\pi \rho \delta s$ $\alpha \dot{\nu} \tau \delta \nu$ $\epsilon i \pi \epsilon$, $T \dot{\nu} \pi \tau \epsilon \iota \nu$ $\sigma \epsilon$ μέλλει ὁ Θεὸς, τοῖχε κεκονιαμένε· καὶ σὺ κάθη κρίνων με κατὰ τὸν νόμον, καὶ παρανομῶν κελεύεις με τύπτεσθαι; 4 Οἱ δὲ REVISED VERSION.

on what account he was accused by the Jews, he loosed him from his bonds, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and having brought down Paul, he placed him before them.

CHAP. XXIII.

And Paul, earnestly behold- 1 ing the council, said, Brethren, I have lived to God with all good conscience until this day. And the high priest 2 Ananias commanded them who stood by him, to strike him on the mouth. Then 3 Paul said to him, God will strike you, you whited wall: for do you sit to judge me according to the law, and command me to be struck contrary to the law? And they 4

b Ατενισας δε δ Παυλος τω συνεδιου. Earnestness in oratory is well defined, and recommended in this case. Ατενιζω, occulos in aliquem defigo, to fasten, to fix, with a piercing, penetrating gaze, the eyes upon a person or object. Something of excitement, or of intensity of feeling, is unambiguously indicated by Paul in his exordium on this occasion. There is much of argument and eloquence in a look. There is an all-puissant, all-subduing glance of the eye; and Paul, in his carnestness and point on this occasion, affords us a fine specimen of it.

Τω συνεδοιω—συνεδοιον, Sanhedrim council. Luke, in this single book, refers to it fourteen times, and once in his gospel. All the other writers in the N. T. refer to it only seven times. Its etymology is fully indicative of its distinctive character συν, together, εδοα, sedes—a sitting together. Moses and his seventy elders gave it a local habitation and a name, in both sacred and profane history. Συνεδοιον, in Grecian history, indicates a council, a court-et locus in quem conveniunt senatores. Thesaurus Græcæ Linguæ. Num. ch. 11; Deut. 27:1; 31:9; Ezekiel 8:11. In one acceptation of it, "An assembly of prelates and doctors convened to regulate matters of discipline in Church affairs."

Ego optima gaudens conscientia voluntatis divinæ ad hunc usque diem. Activum, πολιτενιν, et medium, πολιτενεσθαι, notat rempublicam administrare, publicum in civitate munus administrare. Thucyd, viii, 97. Kuin, vol. 3, p. 330. Conscience, in this case, is well defined. It is a judge, whose verdict upon our own acts, in thought, in volition, in word, or in action, creates within us pleasing or unpleasing associations or feelings, as contemplated in reference to a perfect law of perfect happiness, and an omniscient Judge.

Συνειδησει αγαθη πεπολιτευμαι. It is worthy of notice, that in some thirty-two occurrences of this word συνειδησις, in the Christian Scriptures, it is always, in com. ver., translated conscience.

Πολιτενομαι is found only twice, and πολιτενμα once, in the N. Test. Both words are, com. ver., translated conversation; the latter, literally, enfranchisement, or community. Greek Concordance of N. Test.; the former, "I have lived," Acts 23:1; and Phil. 1:27, conversation. But this is obsolete. Webster, "familiar intercourse." Behavior, in general, is intended; and such was its currency at the date of the com. ver.

The natural or syntactic order of this sentence is as fol-Looking in the face of the whole tribunal, he, with an lows, and ought, in my judgment, to be preferred: "Brethren, intrepid countenance, affirms εγω παση συνειδησει αγαθη. I have lived to God, with all good conscience, until this day."

said, Revilest thou God's high priest?

5 Then said Paul, I wist not, brethren, that he was the high priest: for it is written, Thou shalt not speak evil of the ruler

of thy people.

6 But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, Men and brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: of the hope and resurrection of the dead I am called in question.

7 And when he had so said, there arose a dissension between $\sigma \alpha \nu \tau \sigma s$, $\epsilon \gamma \epsilon \nu \epsilon \tau \sigma \sigma \tau \alpha \sigma \iota s$ $\tau \hat{\omega} \nu \Phi \alpha$ when he had so said, there

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παρεστώτες είπον, Τον αρχιερέα τοῦ $\Theta\epsilon$ οῦ λοιδορ ϵ ῖς; 5 " $E\phi\eta$ τ ϵ ό Παῦλος, Οὐκ ήδειν άδελφοί, ότι έστὶν ἀρχιερεύς γέγραπται γαρ, "Αρχοντα τοῦ λαοῦ σου οὐκ έρεις κακώς. 6 Γνούς δὲ ὁ Παῦλος ὅτι τὸ ἐν μέρος ἐστὶ Σαδδουκαίων, το δε έτερον Φαρισαίων, έκραξεν έν τῷ συνεδρίῳ, "Ανδρες άδελφοὶ, έγω Φαρισαίος είμι, υίος Φαρισαίου· περὶ ἐλπίδος καὶ ἀναστάσεως νεκρῶν ἐγὼ κρί-7 Τοῦτο δὲ αὐτοῦ λαλήREVISED VERSION.

who stood by, said, Do you revile God's high priest? Then said Paul, dI knew not, 5 brethren, that he was the high priest; for it is written, You shall not speak evil of the ruler of your people.

But when Paul perceived 6 that the one part were Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, Brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: 'concerning a hope and a resurrection of the dead I am now judged. And 7

Dei agit, vicem Dei gerit. Conviciis proscindere. Kuin. The high priest Ananias, not the Annas or Ananus named 4:6; Luke 3: 2; John 18: 13. "He, unquestionably," says Winer, "is the son of Nebedæus, who obtained the office of high priest under procurator Tiberius Alexander, A. D. 48, the immediate successor of Camidus or Camithus." (Josep. Ant. 20:5, 2. Hack.)

A pontiff, who by the command and authority of God acts for God, most certainly stands in his place; and we must approach to God and commune with God through him, while through him God communes with us. Such a dignitary is not to be contemned.

Ουκ ηδειν αδελφοι, οτι εστιν αρχιερευς. These words have long been in debate. Cameranus, Marnixius, Thiessius and Heinrichius regard these words as used ironically; equivalent to, that he did not execute the office. Others interpret them, that he did not acknowledge him to be high priest, but as usurping this dignity. But, as well observed by others, if the apostle did not wish this dignity to enure to him, he would not have said that he did not know. Ουκ ηδειν, but rather ουχ οιδα τουτον αρχιερεα. I do not know, or acknowledge, this person as high priest of this people. Kuin.

Ananias had been dispossessed of this office, and Jonathan raised to that dignity. On the death of Jonathan, it continued for some time vacant; and, in this interval, Ananias undertook to fill it, but without proper authority. Boothr. "I was not aware that he was the high priest," Ουκ ηδειν οτι εστιν αρχιερευς, cannot be fairly translated, I do not acknowledge him to be high priest. Nor is it probable that Paul would enter into a discussion of the legality of his claim. He simply declares his own ignorance of the fact, having been some time absent from the country. He, however, apologizes

^e Ο αρχιερεα του Θεου, pontificem, qui jussu et auctoritate | for his charge or allegation of hypocrisy, and more especially as Ananias was, at least, a magistrate in authority.

- d "I did not know." This might not be literally true, and yet, in the Hebrew license of this verb, it was true. It is equivalent, in Hebrew currency, to perceive, to know, to make known, to acknowledge, and to consider. At the moment the idea of the judge, absorbed the idea of the high priest, so that Paul did not consider, or regard him as acting the high priest but the civil judge.
- e "I am a Pharisee," was true, in one sense, so far as he was the son of a Pharisee. But this is an oratorical argument. on the principle—Divide and conquer. It was as lawful as rhetorical.
- f Περι ελπιδος και αναστασεως νεκρων εγω κρινομαι, de spe et resurrectione mortuorum ego in judicium vocor. Beza, Biblia Sacra, I. Tremellio et Francisco Junio, London. 1581. Literally, according to the text, concerning a hope and a resurrection of the dead, I am judged. "Concerning the hope," Boothr., Wakefield. They supply the. "For hope's sake and a resurrection of the dead," Meyer, De Wette. Or, by Hendiadys, "the hope of the resurrection," Kuin., Ols., quoted by Hack. "For a hope even of a resurrection of the dead," Thomp. "The hope and resurrection of the dead," Dodd. "The hope of a resurrection," Penn. So many theories of the resurrection of the dead, extant and obsolete, we prefer to be strictly literal. Hence, according to Bagster's Improved and Corrected Text, we render it, "concerning a hope and a resurrection of the dead I am now judged." Other reasons give to this an importance greater than the then existing controversy between the Pharisees and the Sadducees. Instead of Φαρισαίου, Φαρισαίων is regarded as a better reading by Ln., Tf., Gb.

the Pharisees and the Sadducees: and the multitude was divided.

- 8 For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, neither angel, nor spirit: but the Pharisees confess both.
- 9 And there arose a great cry: and the scribes that were of the Pharisees' part arose, and strove, saying, We find no evil in this man: but if a spirit or an angel hath spoken to him, let us not fight against God.

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ρισαίων καὶ τῶν Σαδδουκαίων, καὶ ἐσχίσθη τὸ πληθος. 8 Σαδδουκαίοι μέν γὰρ λέγουσι μὴ είναι ανάστασιν, μηδε άγγελον μήτε πνεύμα. Φαρισαίοι δέ όμολογοῦσι τὰ ἀμφότερα. 9 ἐγένετο δὲ κραυγή μεγάλη· καὶ ἀναστάντες οἱ γραμματεῖς τοῦ μέρους τῶν Φαρισαίων διεμάχοντο λέγοντες, Ούδεν κακον εύρίσκομεν έν τώ άνθρώπφ τούτφ· εἰ δὲ πνεῦμα έλάλησεν αὐτῷ ἢ ἄγγελος, μὴ an angel or spirit spoke to

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arose a gdissension between the Pharisees and the Sadducees; and the multitude was divid-For the Sadducees say 8 that there is no resurrection nor angel, nor spirit; but the Pharisees confess hboth. And 9 there arose a great clamor; and the scribes who were of the Pharisees' party arose, and strove, saying, We find no evil in this man: but, if 10 And when there arose a $\theta\epsilon o\mu\alpha\chi\hat{\omega}\mu\epsilon\nu$. ¹⁰ $\Pi o\lambda\lambda\hat{\eta}s$ $\delta\epsilon$ $\gamma\epsilon$ - him,— And when there arose 10

- E Draois, insurrection, sedition, dissension, uproar, standing. Such is the whole currency of σχιζω, in N. Test. Its usual representatives in the N. Test. are: rend, divide, open, break. It is, with one exception, only found in the historical books. In Hebrews, ch. 9:8, it is literally and properly rendered standing; because, applied to the tabernacle, indicating its mere continuance; literally, having a standing. This word is a valuable monument of the fact, that often the subject and the context must decide the sense or meaning of a word, especially when it has a liberal currency.
- h $M\eta \delta \varepsilon$ ayyelov $\mu\eta\tau\varepsilon$ $\pi\nu\varepsilon\nu\mu\alpha$, are often represented by neque, neither, but when, as here, in conjunction, in one member of a sentence, they stand to each other as neither and nor, in our vernacular. But in certain cases, as in the one before us, when preceded by a negative absolute, we extend it to the whole category-no resurrection, no angel, no spirit. $M_{\eta}\delta\varepsilon$ adds a second denial to the first, while μητε expands this denial into its parts. See Matt. 5:34, 35, 36, Hack., Winer, Stuart. Here are four specifications.

Τα αμφοτερα, both. Yet there are three specifications of the Sadducean infidelity-αναστασις, αγγελος, πνευμα, no resurrection, nor angel, nor spirit. Boothroyd gets out of this grammatical difficulty by translating it, "no resurrection nor angel or spirit." Also Hack. But Penn has it, "there is no resurrection, nor angel, nor spirit;" and instead of "the Pharisees confess both," he gives it, "confess all these." This difficulty has occurred to many thinkers. It occurred to Chrysostom. But it is found in the oldest Greek poets and philosophers. Hence Kuinæl decides "vocabulum αμφοτερα de duobus usurpari solet, sed tria nominata sunt, quæ Sadducæi infelicitata esse dicuntur, tenendum igitur est αμφοτερον ctiam de pluribus dici." Chrysostomus, vol. 3, p. 334.

It is, indeed, found in Homer's Odys. 15, 78, αμφοτεφον, χυδος τε και αγλαϊη, και ονειαρ. We regard it as indicative

second—angel and spirit—as representative of a future state —and a spiritual universe—a literal resurrection, and a literal spiritual universe, both which were denied by the Sadducees, and affirmed by the Pharisees. Τα αμφοτερα-Prof. Hackett has it, according to the above analysis, "a resurrection, and the reality of spiritual existences, whether angels, or the souls of the departed." There yet appears a cloud in the horizon of many on the true analysis of man, as to the true constituency of man. Man, in Holy Writ, is contemplated as a miniature trinity in his nature, the "likest image" of God in the universe. Hence the grand reason for his redemption. The word angel necessarily denotes no personality in the universe. It is essentially and exclusively an official name. It applies to men, winds, lightnings, pestilence. These are scripturally called God's angels, Psalm 78: 49. It is applied to men-even the spies, entertained by the innkeeper Rahab, are called angels, James 2:25. Acts 12:15. Fire and lightning are God's angels, Heb. 1:7. They are called ministering spirits, officially. They are in nature spirits, but in office and employment ministers. Man has a body, a house. He has also a ψυχη, a soul, a life animal. He has also a πνευμα, a spirit. These three make one man. 1 Thess. 5:23. To draw the lines of distinction, though somewhat palpable, is not a task to be undertaken here. We can only say that the spirit is from God; the animal soul is the seat and centre of the animal instincts. In the lapsus of humanity it predominates over the spirit, the reason and conscience of man. Hence the necessity of a spiritual new birth. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the spirit is spirit.

i Οι γραμματεις. The Σαδδουκαιοι μεν and the Φαρισαιοι de stand in contraposition; hence we have avacravtes or γραμματεις, and hence the κραυγη μεγαλη, the great clamor and the favor shown to the apostles by the Pharisees, because of only two distinct ideas, giving two specifications of the of their more cogent evidence of a resurrection in the asser-

great dissension, the chief captain, fearing lest Paul should have been pulled in pieces of them, commanded the soldiers to go down, and to take him by force from among them, and to bring him into the castle.

11 And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.

12 And when it was day, certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying, that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul.

13 And they were more than $\Pi a \hat{\nu} \lambda o \nu$.

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νομένης στάσεως, εύλαβηθείς ό χιλίαρχος μη διασπασθή ὁ Παῦλος ὑπ' αὐτῶν, ἐκέλευσε τὸ στράτευμα καταβάν άρπάσαι αύτὸν έκ μέσου αὐτῶν, ἄγειν τε εἰς τὴν παρεμβολήν.

11 ΤΗ δε έπιούση νυκτί έπιστας αὐτῷ ὁ κύριος εἰπε, Θάρσει Παθλε· ώς γὰρ διεμαρτύρω τὰ περί έμου είς Ίερουσαλημ, ούτω σε δεί καὶ είς 'Ρώμην μαρτυρή-12 Γενομένης δε ήμέρας, ποιήσαντές τινες των Ιουδαίων

συστροφην, άνεθεμάτισαν έαυτους, λέγοντες μήτε φαγείν μήτε πιείν έως οδ αποκτείνωσι τον

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a great dissension, the chiliarch, fearing that Paul would have been pulled in pieces by them, commanded the soldiery to go down, and take him by force from among them, and to bring him into the castle. And the night following, the 11 Lord stood by him, and said, Take courage, for as you have testified of me in Jerusalem, so must you also bear *testimony in Rome.

And when it was day, the 12 Jews, having formed a 1combination, bound themselves under a curse, saying, that they would neither eat nor drink, 13 $\mathring{\eta}\sigma\alpha\nu$ $\delta\grave{\epsilon}$ $\pi\lambda\epsilon\acute{\iota}o\nu$ s till they had killed Paul: and 13

tion of the real αναστασις των νεπρων, in the case and person of the Lord Jesus. The literal resurrection of the dead, in the person of the son of Mary and the son of God, was the omnipotent argument, wielded with irresistable power by the eye-witnesses of the fact, against Sadduceeism and every form of materialism and infidelity which any form of philosophy, falsely so called, has ever obtruded upon mankind.

Μη θεομαχωμεν is, we think, justly repudiated by Gb., Sch., Ln., and Tf. It is nowhere else found in the Christian Scriptures. We have Deomagos once only in the Christian Scriptures, Acts 5:39; but the verb θεομαχεω never, but in this place; and that, without adequate evidence, from ancient manuscripts or versions.

While Bagster's text retains, "let us not fight against God," it must be conceded that it is without satisfactory authority. Sundry critics repudiate it, and the evidences are against it.

- i Ευλαβηθεις is somewhat of doubtful authority in this place; for which, φοβηθεις is substituted by Ln., but by Gb. regarded as not so strongly supported. We, therefore, give our suffrage for ευλαβηθεις, and retain the com. ver.
- k Παυλε, deservedly, as we think, is repudiated by Gb., Ln., Tf., Sch. Διεμαρτυρω, 2d per. sing. 1st aor. mid., from διαμαρτυρουμαι, etiam atque etiam obtestor. You must again and again witness for me. "So must thou testify," Boothr., Wes. "So thou must bear witness," Thomp. "So must thou bear testimony," Penn. "So also art thou to testify," Murd. "So must thou also testify," Wake. "So shall thou also bear testimony," Dodd. Sic et oportet etiam Romæ testificare-Beza-So it behooves you also to bear witness at Rome.

Διαμαρτυρομαι is, etymologically, more than μαρτυρεωεομαι, yet are they frequently represented by the same word, in the com. ver., as well as in others. The prefix $\delta\iota\alpha$ to μαρτυρεω, extends, or intensifies, its value or import. It is more continuative in its operations and activities. It is clumsily expressed by thoroughly testify, or fully or completely testify. Yet this is only expressive of its full signification. This is one of the cases, or instances, wherein the Greek language excels our language. In this case, it contemplates a continuous effort.

1 For τινες των Ιουδαιων συστροφην, are substituted συστροφην οι Ιουδαιοι by Gb., Ln., Sch., Tf. "Some of the Jews combined together and bound themselves under a curse, saying: that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul." Boothr. "Certain of the Jews banded together and bound themselves under a curse."

Συστροφη, concursus, seditio, Arabs bene, seditio. Tumultuarium enim et seditionum concursum significat: ut ovorqeφειν est populum factiose cogere—sic συστροφη est factiosus cceptus. Crit. Sacra, in loco. So the Septuagint, on Judges 14: 8, συστροφη του λαου—is, seditio coitio populi. Hence they use it for conjuratione, συστασις, a confederacy, a conspiracy. The Romans, in their patriotic mood, would say, on any ominous movement of conspirators, Qui rempublicam vult salvam esse me sequatur. Such was the ovoraois, the συνωμοσια, of the Greeks. "Having formed a combination," Mey., Rob., Hack.

This combination, literally, said, "We anathematize ourselves that we will neither eat nor drink till we have killed Paul."

forty which had made this conspiracy.

14 And they came to the chief priests and elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under a great curse, that we will eat nothing until we have slain Paul.

15 Now therefore ye with the council signify to the chief captain, that he bring him down unto you to-morrow, as though ye would inquire something more perfectly concerning him: and we, or ever he come near, are ready to kill him.

16 And when Paul's sister's son heard of their lying in wait, he went and entered into the castle, and told Paul.

17 Then Paul called one of the centurions unto him, and said, Bring this young man unto the chief captain; for he hath a certain thing to tell him.

18 So he took him, and brought him to the chief captain, and said, Paul the prisoner called me unto him, and prayed GREEK TEXT.

τεσσαράκοντα οἱ ταύτην την συνωμοσίαν πεποιηκότες. 14 οίτινες προσελθόντες τοις άρχιερεῦσι καὶ τοῖς πρεσβυτέροις εἶπον, 'Αναθέματι άνεθεματίσαμεν έαυτους, μηδενος γεύσασθαι έως οδ αποκτείνωμεν τον Παθλον. 15 νῦν οὖν ὑμεῖς ἐμφανίσατε τῷ χιλιάρχω σύν τῷ συνεδρίω, ὅπως αύριον αύτον καταγάγη προς ύμας, ώς μέλλοντας διαγινώσκειν άκριβέστερον τὰ περὶ αὐτοῦ· ήμεις δε, προ του έγγίσαι αυτον, έτοιμοί έσμεν τοῦ ἀνελεῖν αὐτόν. 16 'Ακούσας δὲ ὁ υίὸς τῆς άδελφης Παύλου τὸ ἔνεδρον, παραγενόμενος καὶ εἰσελθών εἰς την παρεμβολην, ἀπήγγειλε τῷ Παύ-17 προσκαλεσάμενος δε δ Παθλος ένα των έκατοντάρχων, έφη, Τον νεανίαν τοῦτον ἀπάγαγε προς του χιλίαρχου έχει γάρ τι ἀπαγγεῖλαι αὐτῷ. μέν οὖν παραλαβών αὐτὸν ήγαγε προς του χιλίαρχου, καί φησιν, Ο δέσμιος Παῦλος προσκαλεREVISED VERSION.

there were more than forty who had formed this conspiracy. And they went to 14 the chief priest and elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under a great "curse, that we will eat nothing till we have slain Paul. Now, 15 therefore, you with the "council, signify to the chiliarch that he bring him down to you tomorrow, as though you would inquire something more exactly concerning him: and we, before he can come near, will be ready to kill him.

And when Paul's sister's 16 son heard of the ambush, he went and entered into the castle, and told Paul. Then 17 Paul called one of the ocenturions to him, and said, Bring this young man to the chiliarch; for he has a certain thing to tell him. And so he 18 took him, and brought him to the chiliarch, and says, Paul me to bring this young man $\sigma \alpha \mu \epsilon \nu \delta s \mu \epsilon \eta \rho \omega \tau \eta \sigma \epsilon$, $\tau \delta \nu \tau \delta \nu$ the prisoner called me to

m Ανεθεματισαμεν έαυτους. We have cursed ourselves as explained, v. 13, συνωμοιπαν πεποιηχοτες, conjuratio. Crit. Sacr., in loco. The reflexive of the third person (as in v. 12) may follow a subject of the first or second person. Kuhner's Greek Gram. and Buttman; Hackett.

ⁿ Συνεδοιω—συνεδοιον, consessus, always, in N. Test., translated council. Com. ver.,-it was called the court of the seventy and two, and was held only in Jerusalem; from which the Jews retained this word, calling the judges the Sanhedrim. None might appeal to any other. Num. 11: 26. Critica Sacra. Synagogues are ecclesiastic conventions. Synedria are conventions of civil judges, more frequently alluded to, and named, in this book of Acts, than in all the other Christian Scriptures, but never once applied to any Christian assembly, summoned or convened for any act of Christian discipline, legislation, or judgment. It always refers to a pagan or a Jewish institution; never to any Christian assembly.

Χιλιαρχφ συν τω συνεδριω-χιλιαρχος, seventeen times occurring in this book, always rendered chief captain. Com. ver. The chiliarch, often called a tribune, had, as his name indicates, the command of a thousand men. Tribunus militum-John 8: 12-vertendum fuit præfectus cohortis. A military tribune, called the prefect of a cohort; for so the Latins called him whom the Greeks called a chiliarch. But adds Crit. Sacra, a tribune is he who presides over a legion. These, among the Jews, were called chiliarchs. Grotius, Leigh.

[·] Ένα των έκατονταρχων—του ανελειν depends on ετοιμοι as a genitive construction. Hack. Επατανταρχος is often rendered centurion; because, in fact, he was the captain or commander of one hundred men; and such is its etymology.

p O δεσμιος indicates that Paul was still a prisoner, and that by a chain. The Roman custom was to attach the chain, on the person of the prisoner, to the arm of a Roman soldier.

unto thee, who hath something to say unto thee.

19 Then the chief captain took him by the hand and went with him aside privately, and asked him, What is that thou hast to tell me?

20 And he said, The Jews have agreed to desire thee, that thou wouldest bring down Paul to-morrow into the council, as though they would inquire somewhat of him more perfectly.

21 But do not thou yield unto them: for there lie in wait for him of them more than forty men, which have bound themselves with an oath, that they will neither eat nor drink till they have killed him: and now are they ready, looking for a promise from thee.

22 So the chief captain then let the young man depart, and charged him, See thou tell no man that thou hast shewed these things to man

things to me.

23 And he called unto him two centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go to Cesarea, and horsemen threescore and ten, and spearmen two hundred, at the third hour of the night;

24 And provide them beasts, that they may set Paul on, and bring him safe unto Felix the

governor.

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νεανίαν άγαγεῖν πρός σε, έχοντά τι λαλησαί σοι. 19 Έπιλαβόμενος δὲ τῆς χειρὸς αὐτοῦ ὁ χιλίαρχος, καὶ ἀναχωρήσας κατ' ιδίαν έπυνθάνετο, Τί έστιν δ΄ έχεις άπαγγείλαί μοι; ²⁰ Είπε δέ, Ότι οἱ Ἰουδαῖοι συνέθεντο τοῦ έρωτησαί σε, ὅπως αύριον εἰς τὸ συνέδριον καταγάγης του Παῦλον, ώς μέλλοντές τι άκριβέστερον πυνθάνεσθαι περί αὐτοῦ. 21 σὺ οὖν μὴ πεισθῆς αὐτοῖς. ένεδρεύουσι γαρ αύτον έξ αύτων άνδρες πλείους τεσσαράκοντα, οίτινες ἀνεθεμάτισαν ξαυτούς μήτε φαγείν μήτε πιείν έως οδ ανέλωσιν αὐτόν καὶ νῦν ἔτοιμοί έισι προσδεχόμενοι την άπο σοῦ έπαγγελίαν. 22 Ο μέν οὖν χιλίαρχος ἀπέλυσε τον νεανίαν, παραγγείλας μηδενὶ ἐκλαλῆσαι, δτι ταῦτα **ἐ**νεφάνισας πρός με. 23 Καὶ προσκαλεσάμενος δύο τινας των έκατοντάρχων είπεν, Ετοιμάσατε στρατιώτας διακοσίους, ὅπως πορευθώσιν ἔως Καισαρείας, καὶ ἱππεῖς έβδομήκοντα, καὶ δεξιολάβους διακοσίους, άπο τρίτης ώρας της νυκτός 24 κτήνη τε παραστήσαι, ίνα ἐπιβιβάσαντες τὸν Παῦλον διασώσωσι προς Φήλικα τον REVISED VERSION.

him, and requested me to bring this young man to you. Then 19 the chiliarch took him by the hand, and went with him aside privately, and asked him, What is that you have to say to me? And he said, The 20 Jews have agreed to request you, that you would bring down Paul to-morrow into the council, as though they would inquire something about him more perfectly. But do not 21 you yield to them: for there lie in wait for him more than forty men of them, who have bound themselves with an oath, that they will neither eat nor drink till they have killed him; and now are they ready, glooking for the promise from So the chiliarch let 22 the young man depart, and charged him, Tell no person that you have showed these things to me. And he call- 23 ed to him some two of the centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers, and seventy horsemen, and two hundred spearmen, to go to Cesarea, at the third hour of the night; and let them pro- 24 vide beasts on which they may place Paul, and bring him safe to Felix the governor. And he 25

4 Προοδεχομενοι την—επαγγελιαν—Looking for, expecting, aiting for—the promise. No word, of the same frequency joined with numerals, renders them indefinite. So Winer, Kuinoel, Hack., Stuart, etc., regard it.

Δεξιολαβους "occurs only here, and in two obscure writers of the iron age. Its meaning is a riddle," De Wette. The proposed explanations are these: παραφυλακες, military lictors who guarded prisoners; so called from their taking the right-hand side (Suid., Beza, Kuinoel). Lancers (Vulg., Eng. ver.), a species of light-armed troops (Meyer), since they are mentioned once in connection with archers and peltasts. Codex

⁴ Προοδεχομενοι την—επαγγελιαν—Looking for, expecting, waiting for—the promise. No word, of the same frequency of occurrence in this book, is more uniformly represented by one word than this is—by the word promise. Its only exception is found, I. John 1:5, in the word message; and in this case alone does it extend beyond one idea. A message, indeed, generally, in the exangelical economy, is a promise. A message, however, is more general, including a promise, or a threatening. In John's first epistle, it indicates an annunciation or message, and not simply a promise.

r Δυο τινας των έκατονταρχων—τις is indefinite—it may A reads, δεξιοβολους. Jaculantes dextra. Syr., Hack.

25 And he wrote a letter after this manner:

26 Claudius Lysias, unto the most excellent governor Felix, sendeth greeting.

27 This man was taken of the Jews, and should have been killed of them: then came I with an army, and rescued him, having understood that he was a Roman.

28 And when I would have known the cause wherefore they accused him, I brought him forth into their council:

29 Whom I perceived to be accused of questions of their law, but to have nothing laid to his charge worthy of death, or of bonds.

30 And when it was told me how that the Jews laid wait for the man, I sent straightway to thee, and gave commandment to his accusers also, to say before thee what they had against him. Farewell.

31 Then the soldiers, as it was commanded them, took Paul, κατὰ τὸ διατεταγμένον αὐτοῖς, commanded them, took Paul,

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ήγεμόνα· 25 γράψας έπιστολην περιέχουσαν τον τύπον τοῦτον 26 Κλαύδιος Λυσίας τῷ κρατίστω ήγεμόνι Φήλικι χαίρειν. ²⁷ Τὸν ἄνδρα τοῦτον συλληφθέντα ύπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ μελλοντα άναιρεῖσθαι ὑπ' αὐτῶν, έπιστας συν τώ στρατεύματι έξειλόμην αὐτον, μαθων ὅτι ἙΡωμαῖός ἐστι. ²⁸ βουλόμενος δε γνωναι την αίτίαν δι ην ένεκάλουν αὐτῷ, κατήγαγον αὐτὸν είς τὸ συνέδριον αὐτῶν· 29 ὃν εδρον έγκαλούμενον περί ζητημάτων τοῦ νόμου αὐτῶν, μηδὲν δὲ ἄξιον θανάτου ἢ δεσμῶν ἔγ-30 μηνυθείσης κλημα ἔχοντα. δέ μοι έπιβουλης είς τον ἄνδρα μέλλειν ἔσεσθαι ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, έξαυτης έπεμψα πρός σε, παραγγείλας καὶ τοῖς κατηγόροις λέγειν τὰ πρὸς αὐτὸν ἐπὶ σοῦ. $^{\prime\prime}E
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Οἱ μὲν οὖν στρατιῶται,

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wrote a letter after this *manner: Claudius Lysias, to the 26 most excellent governor Felix, sends greeting. This man was 27 taken by the Jews, and was about to be killed by them; but I came with the soldiery, and rescued him, having learned that he was a Roman. And when I wished to know 28 the cause for which they accused him, I brought him forth into their council: and 29 found him to be accused about questions of their law, but to have nothing laid to his charge worthy of death, or of bonds. And when it was told 30 me how the Jews laid wait for the man, I sent him immediately to you, and gave commandment to his accusers also, to say before you what they had against him. Farewell.

Then the soldiers, as it was 31

· Περιεχουσαν τον τυπον τουτον. "Containing this out- had against him. Farewell." Booth. "But having been informed of a plot laid against the man by the Jews." Wake. "And when it was shown me that an ambush was about to be laid for the man by the Jews." Wes. "But when it was signified to me that an ambush would be laid by the Jews." Dodd. "But receiving intelligence of a plot against the man which the Jews were in act to execute." Thomp. "Indicatis autem mihi insidiis quæ a Judæis ei struerentur, statim eum ad te misi, et accusatoribus ejus præcepi, ut accusationes suas coram te proferrent." Kuin. "Quum autem mihi indicatum esset insidias huic viro factum iri a Judæis eo ipso momento misi eum ad te: et denuntiavi quoque accusatoribus ut quæ habent adversus eum dicant apud te. Vale." we presume to be a full expression of the original text, and would render it: But soon as it was indicated to me that an ambush was about to be laid by the Jews, against this man, I immediately sent him to you, having given orders to his accu-Jews laid wait for the man, I sent him immediately to you, sers to state to you whatsoever they have against him."

line." Tunos, represented by print, figure, fashion, example, ensample, pattern, in com. ver. Proprie significat notam insculptam pulsatione.

[·] Μελλειν, omitted by In. Υπο των Ιουδαιων, omitted by Ln. and Tf. Το μελλειν εσεσθοι, Kuin. objects, as an anacoluthon, indicating a want of sequence, not correspondent with the remainder of the sentence; and, therefore, should be written μηνοθεισης μελλουσης εσεσθαι, or μηνοθεντος δε μοι - επιβουλην μελλειν εσεσθαι. "The writer falls out of his construction here. He says $\mu\eta\nu\nu\vartheta\epsilon\iota\sigma\eta s$ at the beginning of the sentence, as if he would have added the mellovons; but, in the progress of the thought, adds uellew, as if he had commenced with $\mu\eta\nu\nu\sigma\alpha\nu\tau\omega\nu$. . . $\epsilon\varphi\iota\beta\sigma\nu\lambda\eta\nu$. The idea of the thing disclosed, yields to that of the persons who disclose it." Hack. "And when it was made known to me that the and commanded his accusers also to say before you what they Εξόωσο. Farewell. Om., Ln., Tf.

and brought him by night to Antipatris.

- 32 On the morrow they left the horsemen to go with him, and returned to the castle:
- 33 Who, when they came to Cesarea, and delivered the epistle to the governor, presented Paul also before him.
- 34 And when the governor had read the letter, he asked of what province he was. And when he understood that he was of Cilicia;
- 35 I will hear thee, said he, when thine accusers are also come. And he commanded him to be kept in Herod's judgmenthall.

CHAP. XXIV.

And after five days, Ananias the high priest descended with the elders, and with a certain orator named Tertullus, who informed the governor against Paul.

2 And when he was called forth, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, Seeing that by thee we enjoy great quietness, and

GREEK TEXT.

άναλαβόντες του Παῦλου, ήγαγον διὰ τῆς νυκτὸς είς τὴν 'Αν $au\hat{\eta}$ $\delta \hat{\epsilon}$ $\epsilon \pi \alpha \hat{\nu} \rho \iota o \nu$ τιπατρίδα. έάσαντες τοὺς ἱππεῖς πορεύεσθαι συν αύτω, υπέστρεψαν είς την παρεμβολήν· 33 οίτινες είσελθόντες είς την Καισάρειαν, καί αναδόντες την έπιστολην τώ ήγεμόνι, παρέστησαν καὶ τὸν Παῦλον αὐτῷ. ³⁴ ἀναγνοὺς δὲο ήγεμων, καὶ ἐπερωτήσας ἐκ ποίας ἐπαρχίας ἐστὶ, καὶ πυθόμενος ὅτι ἀπὸ <math>Kιλικίας, ³5 Διακούσομαί σου, ἔφη, ὅταν καὶ οἱ κατήγοροί σου παραγένωνται. 'Εκέλευσέ τε αὐτὸν ἐν τῷ πραιτωρίφ του Ἡρώδου φυλάσσε- $\sigma\theta\alpha\iota$.

CHAP. XXIV.

ΜΕΤΑ δὲ πέντε ημέρας κατέβη ὁ ἀρχιερεὺς ἀνανίας μετὰ τῶν πρεσβυτέρων καὶ ῥήτορος Τερτύλλου τινος, οίτινες ένεφάνισαν τῷ ἡγεμόνι κατὰ τοῦ Παύλου. 2 κληθέντος δε αὐτοῦ, ήρξατο κατηγορείν δ Tέρτυλλος $\lambda \dot{\epsilon} \gamma \omega \nu$, $^3 \Pi o \lambda \lambda \hat{\eta} s \epsilon i \rho \dot{\eta} \nu \eta s \tau \nu \gamma$ that very worthy deeds are done $\chi \alpha \nu \rho \nu \tau \epsilon s$ dià $\sigma \delta \hat{\nu}$, $\kappa \alpha \hat{\nu}$ $\kappa \alpha \tau \delta \rho \theta \omega$ much speace, and that many

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and brought him by night to Antipatris; and on the mor- 32 row they left the horsemen to go with him "(and returned to the castle): who, when they 33 came to Cesarea, and delivered the epistle to the governor, presented Paul also before him. And when the governor 34 had read the letter, he asked of what province he was." And when he understood that he was of Cilicia, he said, I will hear 35 you, when your accusers are also come. And he commanded him to be kept under guard in the *pretorium of Herod.

CHAP. XXIV.

Now after afive days, Ana- 1 nias the high priest came down to Cesarea with the elders, and with a certain orator named Tertullus, who appeared before the governor against Paul. And when he 2 was called, Tertullus proceeded to accuse him, saying, Seeing that through you we enjoy

- " Εασαντες τους έππεις, having left or permitted the horsemen to go with him, they returned to the castle; relictis equitatibus qui cum eo irent, reversi sunt in castra. Beza. For πορευεσθα, απερχεσθαι is substituted by Ln., Tf., and thought probable by Gb.
- * Ο ηγεμων is repudiated by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. It is, however, an appropriate supplement. Επερωτησας, κ. τ. λ., having asked from what province he is. This suggests his profession of being a Roman citizen.
 - ₩ Διακουσομαι σου. I will hear you fully.
- * Εν τω πραιτωριώ του Ήρωδου, in Herod's prætorium. The residence of the Roman procurators. A palace built by him at Cæsarea; then occupied as the residence of Roman procurators. Hack.
- ^a Μετα δε πεντε ήμερας, post quinque dies advenit Ananias, potius die quinto-on the fifth day, Kuin. Michaelis, Dindorfius, Rosenmüllerus count these days from the captivity of Paul in Jerusalem, as cited by Kuin., in which view Meyer De Wette, and Hackett agree.
- b Ηρξατο κατηγορειν, began to accuse, or, proceeded to accuse. Tertullus instituted, if not in form, in fact, three distinct counts, or charges—sedition, heresy, profanation of the temple, vv. 5, 6. Instead of κατορθωματων, some copies read διοςθωματων, which reading Grotius, Griesbach, and Valckenarius approve. Kuin.
- · Πολλης ειρηνης, "much peace," rather than "great quietness;" "many worthy deeds," rather than "very worthy deeds."

unto this nation by thy providence,

- 3 We accept it always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.
- 4 Notwithstanding, that I be not further tedious unto thee, I pray thee, that thou wouldest hear us of thy elemency a few words.
- 5 For we have found this man a pestilent fellow, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ring-leader of the sect of the Nazarenes:
- 6 Who also hath gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our law:

GREEK TEXT.

μάτων γινομένων τῷ ἔθνει τούτῷ διὰ τῆς σῆς προνοίας πάντη τε καὶ πανταχοῦ, ἀποδεχόμεθα, κράτιστε Φηλιξ, μετὰ πάσης 4 ίνα δ $\dot{\epsilon}$ μ $\dot{\eta}$ $\dot{\epsilon}\pi\dot{\iota}$ εύχαριστίας. πλείον σε έγκοπτω, παρακαλώ ακουσαί σε ήμων συντόμως τη $\sigma \hat{\eta} \in \pi \in \kappa \in \alpha$. $\delta \in \hat{\nu} \rho \circ \nu \tau \in \gamma \circ \rho \tau \circ \nu$ ανδρα τοῦτον λοιμον, καὶ κινοῦντα στάσιν πᾶσι τοῖς Ἰουδαίοις τοίς κατά την οἰκουμένην, πρωτοστάτην τε της τών Ναζωραίων αίρεσεως δος καὶ τὸ ἱερον έπείρασε βεβηλώσαι, δυ καὶ έκρατήσαμεν καὶ κατὰ τὸν ἡμέτερον νόμον ήθελήσαμεν κρίνειν.

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very worthy deeds are done this nation through your prudent administration; we 3 receive it in every way, and every where, most 'noble Felix, with all thankfulness. But 4 that I may not weary you longer, I pray you of your clemency to hear a few words from us. For we have found this 5 man a pest, and exciting disturbance among all the Jews throughout the world, a chiefleader of the sect of the Nazarenes: who also has gone about 6 to profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our blaw: but

d Πολλων being understood.

Δια της σης προνοιας. Προνοιας is found only here and in Rom. 13:14; here providence, there provision.

The verb $\pi \varrho o \nu o \varepsilon \omega$ is found three times, and is uniformly translated provide, com. ver. Providing for good and against evil, classifies all the duties of civil government. Prudence is itself a species of providence.

Ευχαριστια is a favorite with Paul. With two exceptions, found in the Apocalypse, he engrosses its whole currency in the Christian Scriptures. His use of the verb ευχαριστ_Εω is quite as remarkable. Tertullus the orator justifies his use of it.

- We concur with Robinson and others, in preferring "every way, and everywhere," to "always, and in all places," as being more apposite to the use of $\pi \alpha \nu \tau \eta$.
- f Κρατιστε Φηλιξ, most noble, most excellent. Tertullus, Claudius Lysias, Luke, and Paul are alike courteous in their use of this complimentary term. In the same style he uses the phrase, τη ση επιειχεια, gentleness, clemency. Gentile, gentle, and genteel are of the same family, and in Latin, French, Spanish, and Italian of the same radical orthography. Gentleness is one of the most conspicuous fruits of the Holy Spirit, and, therefore, he alone creates a true gentleman. The language of Tertullus is heartless flattery. Felix, according to Tacitus, Josephus, and hoary tradition, was one of the most corrupt and corrupting governors ever sent from Rome into Judea.
- F Λοιμον, pro λοιμωδης, vel λοιμικος, ut Lat. pestis pro pestifer. Kuin. A pest, for a pestilent fellow, "exciting disturbance among" or unto all the Jews, amongst themselves, not amongst the Romans. $N\alpha\zeta\omega\rho\alpha\iota\omega\nu$, a term of reproach. Ols., Hack.

h 'Os και το ίερον επειρασε βεβηλωσαι, όν και εκρατησαμέν. The following words connected with these are omitted by Ln., Tf., (Gb., -a probable omission)-"και κατα τον ήμετερον νομον ηθελησαμεν κρινειν. (V. 7.) παρελθων δε Δυσιας δ χιλιαρχος μετα πολλης βιας εκ των χειρων ήμων απηγαγε, (V. 8.) κελευσας τους κατηγορους αυτου ερχεσθαι επι σε." They are, indeed, repudiated by Ln. and Tf., thought doubtful by Gb., regarded as an interpolation by Mill, Beng., Morus, Heinr. But with Kuincel, after considerable vacillation, I concur. His conclusion is: "After weighing the objections of Mill, Beng., Mor., and Heinr., and their motion to have them striken out of the text-equidem tamen verba textus genuina existimanda puto-notwithstanding I am of the opinion that they are to be regarded as the genuine words of the text." They are rejected by De Wette, Mill, Bengel, Lachmann, and some others. But inasmuch as they are reported as found in different forms in a majority of extant manuscripts, I must vote for their retention.

The following are the popular versions of this passage: "And having seized him, we wished to judge him according to our law. But Lysias the chiliarch came, and with great violence took him out of our hands." Syriac Peshito. "Qui templum quoque tentavit profanari: quem etiam prehensum volumus secundum Legem nostram indicare sed interveniens tribunus Lysias cum magna vi abducit eum e manibus nostriis." Beza, edition of Junius and Tremellius, Old and New Testament, London, A.D. 1581. "Who attempted to profane the temple, and whom we, therefore, seized: by examining whom thou canst obtain knowledge of the things of which we accuse him." Penn. "Who attempted to profane even the temple, we apprehended him, and would have judged him according to our law." Thomp. To the same effect, Boothr., Dodd., Wes., Wakef. See ch. 21: 31, 33.

- 7 But the chief captain Lysias came upon us, and with great violence took him away out of our hands,
- 8 Commanding his accusers to come unto thee: by examining of whom, thyself mayest take knowledge of all these things whereof we accuse him.
- 9 And the Jews also assented, saying, That these things were so.
- 10 Then Paul, after that the governor had beckoned unto him to speak, answered, Forasmuch as I know that thou hast been of many years a judge unto this nation, I do the more cheerfully answer for myself:

11 Because that thou mayest understand, that there are yet but twelve days since I went up to Jerusalem for to worship.

12 And they neither found me in the temple disputing with any man, neither raising up the people, neither in the synagogues, nor in the city:

13 Neither can they prove the things whereof they now

accuse me.

GREEK TEXT.

⁷ παρελθών δε Λυσίας ο χιλί- the chiliarch Lysias came upon 7 αρχος μετά πολλης βίας έκ των χειρῶν ἡμῶν ἀπήγαγε, 8κελεύσας τους κατηγόρους αύτοῦ ἔρχεσθαι έπὶ σέ παρ' οδ δυνήση αὐτὸς άνακρίνας περί πάντων τούτων έπιγνώναι ών ήμεις κατηγορούμεν αὐτοῦ. 9 Συνέθεντο δὲ καὶ οἰ 'Ιουδαίοι, φάσκοντες ταῦτα οὕτως

10 'Απεκρίθη δὲ ὁ Παῦλος, νεύσάντος αὐτῷ τοῦ ἡγεμόνος λέγειν, Έκ πολλών έτών ὄντα σε κριτήν τω έθνει τούτω έπιστάμενος, εὐθυμότερον τὰ περὶ έμαυτοῦ ἀπολογοῦμαι. μένου σου γνώναι ότι οὐ πλείους είσί μοι ἡμέραι ἢ δεκαδύο, ἀφ' ης ανέβην προσκυνήσων έν Ίερουσαλήμ· 12 καὶ οὔτε ἐν τῷ ίερῷ εὖρόν με πρός τινα διαλεγόμενον η έπισύστασιν ποιοῦντα όχλου, ούτε έν ταις συναγωγαις, ούτε κατὰ τὴν πόλιν 13 ούτε παραστήσαί με δύνανται περί ὧν REVISED VERSION.

us, and with great violence took him away out of our 'hands, commanding his accusers to 8 come to you: by examining of whom you yourself may obtain knowledge of all these things whereof we accuse thim. And 9 the Jews also assailed him, saying that these things were so.

Then Paul, after that the gov- 10 ernor had beckoned to him to speak, answered:—¹Knowing that you have been for many years a judge for this nation, I do the more cheerfully answer for myself; it being in your power 11 to know that there are yet but twelve "days since I went up to Jerusalem to worship. And 12 they neither found me in the temple disputing with any man, neither stirring up the people, neither in the synagogue, nor in the "city: nei-13 ther can they prove the things νῦν κατηγοροῦσί μου. ¹⁴ ὁμολο- of which they now accuse me.

eighth, Paul before the sanhedrim (22:30; 23:1-10); ninth, the plot of the Jews, and the journey to Antipatris (23:12-31); tenth, eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth, the days at Cæsarea (24:1), on the last of which the trial was then taking place. The number of complete days would, therefore, be twelve; the day in progress at the time of speaking is not counted. So Wetstein Augm., Meyer, De Wette, and others." Hackett.

Aφ' ής, an abbreviation for απο της ήμερας ής. Προσκυνη- $\sigma\omega\nu$, worshiping, or, in order to worship. $A\varphi$ $\dot{\eta}s$ elliptice positum est pro αφ' ήμερας ής ανεβην, et in Jerusalem positum pro εις Ιερουσαλημ. Kuinæl, in loco.

n For επισυστασιν some read επιστασιν, substituted by Ln., Gb., not so well sustained. Vox rarior occurrit apud Joseph. C. Apion 1. 20. Οντι εκ της αυτης επισυστασεως, qui in eadem seditione fuerat. Esr. V, 70. Και επιβουλας και δημαγωγιας και επιστασεις ποιουμένου, verbum επισυνιστασθαι

In μετα πολλης βιας, Tertullus mistates the fact. On the appearance of Lysias, the Jews released Paul without any struggle.

¹ Ene os, before thee. Hack. Avanoiois indicates any form of inquisition.

^{*} For συνεθεντο, Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. substitute συνεπεθεντο. They did more then assent, they assailed him at the same time. It is again found in ch. 23: 30.

¹ Εκ πολλων ετων, since many years. Κοιτην governs εθνει. The relation was for their benefit. Hence the dative.

m Δυναμενου σου γνωναι, while, or since, you are able to know, you may know, it being in your power to know. H dexadvo later editions omit. "The best mode of reckoning the twelve days is the following-beginning with the day of their arrival at Jerusalem (ch. 21:17); second, their interview with James (21:18); third, the assumption of the vow (21:26); fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh, the vow continued, to have been kept seven days, being interrupted on the fifth; concursum facere legitur ap. Joseph. Ant. 14, 1, 3. Kuin.

14 But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:

15 And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

16 And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men.

17 Now, after many years, I came to bring alms to my nation, and offerings.

18 Whereupon certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, neither with multitude, nor with tumult:

19 Who ought to have been here before thee, and object, if they had aught against me.

20 Or else let these same here say, if they have found any evil GREEK TEXT.

γῶ δὲ τοῦτο σοι, ὅτι κατὰ τὴν όδον ην λέγουσιν αίρεσιν, ουτω λατρεύω τῷ πατρῷφ Θεῷ, πιστεύων πᾶσι τοῖς κατὰ τὸν νόμον καὶ τοῖς προφήταις γεγραμμένοις, 15 ϵ λ π ίδα $\, \check{\epsilon}$ χων $\, \epsilon$ ἰς τὸν $\, \Theta \epsilon$ ον, $\, \mathring{\eta}$ ν καὶ αὐτοὶ αὖτοι προσδέχονται, ανάστασιν μέλλειν έσεσθαι νεκρών, δικαίων τε καὶ ἀδίκων 16 έν τούτφ δε αύτος άσκῶ, άπρόσκοπον συνείδησιν έχειν προς τον Θεον και τους άνθρώπους διαπαντός. 17 δι ϵ τών δ ϵ πλειόνων παρεγενόμην έλεημοσύνας ποιήσων είς τὸ έθνος μου καὶ προσφοράς· 18 έν οἷς εδρόν με ήγνισμένον έν τῷ ἱερῷ, οὐ μετὰ όχλου ούδε μετα θορύβου, τινές δὲ ἀπὸ τῆς 'Ασίας 'Ιουδαίοι, ¹⁹ οῢς δεῖ ἐπὶ σοῦ παρείναι καὶ κατηγορείν εί τι έχοιεν πρός με. ²⁰ η αύτοι ούτοι είπάτωσαν, εί τι REVISED VERSION.

But this I confess to you, that 14 after the way which they call a esect, so I worship the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets: and have a hope towards God, 15 which they themselves also pentertain, that there is to be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and also of the unjust. And in this do 16 I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offense towards God and men.

Now, after many years, 17 I came in order to bring alms to my nation, and to make rofferings; on which 18 occasion certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, but neither with a crowd, nor with tumult: who 19 ought to have been here before you to accuse me, had they any charge against me; or 20 εὖρον ἐν ἐμοὶ ἀδίκημα, στάντος else let these themselves say,

Aloetinos, Titus 3:5, indicates one who takes pleasure in sectarisms. Crit. Sacra.

P Nexowr, after avaoraour, is rejected by Ln., Tf., Gb. as a reading not strongly supported. A resurrection of the just and of the unjust.

- P Aσκω, I exercise myself, not in force and compass equal to this term. I use diligence, skill, and constancy. Ασκω middle signification, and, in general, signified any opinion meditare est et ex exercere se in re aliqua. Gregorius. It is constantly to meditate and exercise one's self in any thing Sia
 - r Προσφορας, oblations, offerings, ch. 21: 26. Rom. 15:16. Heb. 10:5, 8, 10, 14, 18. Græci appellabant προσφοραν. When they had finished their social prayers, bread and wine were presented to the minister who was accustomed to recite the words of the Supper and its institution. This was after, and independent of their contributions to the poor. Crit. Sacra.
 - * Εν οίς εύρον με ήγνισμενον εν τω ίερω. Εν οίς, in his dum occupor, dum ejusmodi pietatis officia exsequor, while engaged in these services, or duties, the Jews found me purified—certain Jews from Asia—excited a tumult, not I, as my accusers allege. The verb is wanting, and the context suggests the supplement. For ev ois, Sch., Ln., Gb. suggest

[·] Κατα την όδον ήν λεγουσιν αίσεσιν, which they call a sect-literally, heresy. At the beginning it was a word of good or bad. Non sum in eadem cum illo hæresi, i. e. sententiam-I am not of the same opinion with him. Tull. | \piartos, perpetually, without ceasing. Paradox. Secta odiosus est vocabulum quam hæresis: a secundo dicitur. Hæresis Græcis dicitur ab elegendo. Ecclesiastical writers take it for an error in religion, and so it may be defined. Heresy is, however, regarded rather as a fundamental error taught and defended with obstinacy. Two things are regarded as essential to heresy. 1st, it must respect and concern the articles of our faith; 2dly, there must be a stubborn and a pertinacious affirmation of it: there must be error in ratione, et pertinacia in voluntate. Taken in Scripture, malem partem. Leigh's Crit. Sacra. The word is found ch. 5:17; 15:5; for a sect, ch. 24:5, and 28:22.

ι Ει τι εχοειν.

doing in me, while I stood before the council,

21 Except it be for this one voice, that I cried, standing among them, Touching the resurrection of the dead I am called in question by you this

22 And when Felix heard these things, having more perfect knowledge of that way, he Lysias the chief captain shall come down, I will know the uttermost of your matter.

23 And he commanded a centurion to keep Paul, and to let him have liberty, and that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister, or come unto him.

24 And after certain days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess, he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ.

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μου έπὶ τοῦ συνεδρίου. 21 ἡ περὶ μιας ταύτης φωνής, ής έκραξα έστως έν αὐτοῖς, "Οτι περί ἀναστάσεως νεκρών έγω κρίνομαι σήμερον ύφ' ύμῶν.

22 ' Ακούσας δὲ ταῦτα ὁ Φῆλιξ άνεβάλετο αύτους, άκριβέστερον είδως τὰ περὶ τῆς όδοῦ, εἰπων, ΄ Οταν Λυσίας ὁ χιλίαρχος καταdeferred them, and said, When $\beta \hat{\eta}$, $\delta \iota \alpha \gamma \nu \omega \sigma \sigma \mu \alpha \iota \tau \dot{\alpha} \kappa \alpha \theta' \dot{\nu} \mu \hat{\alpha} s$ ²³ διαταξάμενός τε τῷ έκατοντάρχη τηρείσθαι τον Παῦλον, έχειν τε ἄνεσιν, καὶ μηδένα κωλύειν των ιδίων αύτου ύπηρετείν ή προσέρχεσθαι αὐτῷ.

> 24 Μετὰ δὲ ἡμέρας τινὰς παραγενόμενος ὁ Φηλιξ σὺν Δρουσίλλη τῆ γυναικὶ αύτοῦ οἴση 'Ιουδαία, μετεπέμψατο τον Παῦλον, καὶ ἤκουσεν αὐτοῦ περὶ τῆς ϵ is Χριστον πίστ ϵ ως. ²⁵ διαλ ϵ -

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"if they found any evil in me, when I stood before the council, except it be for this one 21 'expression which I made standing among them, Concerning the resurrection of the dead I am this day called in question.

And when Felix heard these 22 things, knowing more accurately the things in regard to the wway, he deferred them, and said, When Lysias the chiliarch shall come down, I will thoroughly examine the matters between you. And he com- 23 manded the centurion that Paul should be kept, and that he should have a relaxation, and that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister, or come to him. And, after some 24 days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla (who was a Jewess), he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in relation to Christ. 25 And as he reasoned of γομένον δὲ αὐτοῦ περὶ δικαιο- And as he reasoned concern- 25

- " Ει τι εύοον, If they have any thing against me, if they only once uses it. Its use indicates a thorough knowledge. found anything in me. Advanua, anything unjust, anything wicked. Startos mov ear tov ovredow, when I appeared, or, while I was standing ent, before. This versatile preposition freely takes the condition, color, or sense of its associates, or associations in the Christian Scriptures. When in connection with magistrates, courts, or councils, it is generally in the Christian Scriptures, com. ver., represented by before.
- v $E\pi\iota$, in this case, is the prefix to τov $\sigma v \nu \varepsilon \delta \rho \iota ov$, and indicates the attitude of trial before a court, Hequ is equally latitudinarian in its currency, and in cases of this sort it answers to our word concerning. The trial here is περι ανα-
- w Αναβαλλομαι, here Φηλιξ ανεβαλετο, he deferred them. It is an άπαξ λεγομενον, found only in this one case N. T.

Αποιβεστερον, found only in this book in the Christian Scriptures—more perfectly, thrice; more perfect, once.

Διαγνωσομαι, διαγνωσις. This is one of Luke's special words, and is indicative that he was a physician. The διαγνωσις of disease is as old as Æsculapius, deified after his death for his $\delta\iota\alpha\gamma\nu\omega\sigma\iota\varsigma$ and his $\pi\varrho\sigma\gamma\nu\omega\sigma\iota\varsigma$, precognition of disease. Luke, Acts 2:23, has also this word. Besides Luke, Peter or towards Christ, in relation to Christ.

Felix is distinguished for a full developed inquisitiveness in all cases brought before him. Therefore he trembled before the logic and rhetoric of Paul (v. 25). He promised to hear him thoroughly, and to examine the case of Paul when chief captain Lysias had come down.

- * Εχειν τε ανεσιν. Ανεσις, liberty, relaxation, rest, take off his chains. After Paul, autor is added by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf.; η προσερχεσθαι rejected by Ln., Tf., and doubtful by Gb. Τηρεισθαι αυτον, being passive, and not mid. voice, should not be, to keep him, but, that he should be kept. Aveous means a relaxation. This is, in a case, the only word in our language that represents its acceptation in this passage. Our jail limits more than indicate aveous, and our word liberty transcends it. This is a special relaxation of the rigors of the law, in Paul's favor, amounting to a release, and yet it was not legally a release. "To keep Paul at rest," Murd.; "without confinement," Wakef.
- y Felix with Drusilla his wife were curious to hear Paul while in Judea, and sent for him. They heard him on the thrilling theme, περι της εις Χριστον πιστεως, the faith into,

righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.

26 He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him: wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him.

27 But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to shew the Jews a pleasure, left Paul bound.

CHAP. XXV.

Now when Festus was come into the province, after three days he ascended from Cesarea to Jerusalem.

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σύνης καὶ έγκρατείας καὶ τοῦ κρίματος τοῦ μέλλοντος ἔσεσθαι, έμφοβος γενόμενος ο Φηλιξ άπεκρίθη, Το νῦν έχον πορεύου. καιρον δε μεταλαβών μετακαλέσομαί σε 26 άμα δὲ καὶ ἐλπίζων, ότι χρήματα δοθήσεται αὐτῷ ὑπὸ τοῦ Παύλου, ὅπως λύση αὐτόν διὸ καὶ πυκνότερον αὐτὸν μεταπεμπόμενος ωμίλει αὐτῷ. 27 Διετίας δὲ πληρωθείσης έλαβε διάδοχον ὁ Φηλιξ Πόρκιον Φηστον θέλων τε χάριτας καταθέσθαι τοῖς Ιουδαίοις ὁ Φηλιξ, κατέλιπε τὸν Παῦλον δεδεμένον.

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 $\Phi H \Sigma T O \Sigma$ où $\epsilon \pi \iota \beta \grave{a} s \tau \hat{\eta}$ έπαρχία, μετὰ τρεῖς ἡμέρας ανέβη είς Ίεροσόλυμα ἀπὸ Καισαρείας. 2 Then the high priest and $|^2 \epsilon \nu \epsilon \phi \acute{a} \nu \iota \sigma a \nu \delta \acute{\epsilon} a \dot{\nu} \tau \widetilde{\phi} \acute{o} \acute{a} \rho \chi \iota \epsilon$ high priest, and the chief of

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ing justice, *self-government, and the judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go your way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will send for you. **At the 26 same time hoping that money would have been given him by Paul, that he might release him, he therefore sent for him the oftener, and conversed with him. But after 27 two years Felix had a successor, Porcius Festus; and Felix, willing to show the Jews a favor, left Paul bound.

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Now when Festus had come 1 into the *province, after three days, he went up from Cesarea to Jerusalem. Then the

ver., six times; by reasoning, four times; preaching, twice; speaking, once; discoursing, or discussing, is its generic sense. Words have their genera and species, as well as plants and animals. The abstract or generic idea in this word is dissero, dicendo rem diducere, to deduce a matter, a fact, a cause, or a thing by discussion, or reasoning—the dialectic art. There is neither preaching nor teaching, neither discussing nor exhorting, neither affirming nor denying in the essence or act of reasoning. It is a simple comparison of objects, and for deduction.

The faculty of reasoning is exhibited in comparing and deducing. When Paul reasoned on certain topics Felix trembled. His response demonstrated the power of Paul's reasonings in his presence. Eoeo a is omitted by Ln., Sch., Gb. It appears redundant or pleonastic, but pleonasms are allowable in such cases.

22 Όπως λυση αυτον omitted by Sch., Ln., Tf., and doubtful by Gb. It naturally occurs from ελπιζων, ότι χοηματα δοθησεται, and seems to be a circumstantial inference of much plausibility.

Quile αντφ, 3d sing. imp. ind. act. of δμίλεω, colloquor, he conversed with Paul familiarly. This word is found only four times in the Christian Scriptures. It indicates familiar con-

* Διαλεγομένου, though represented by disputing, com. | "Talked together," "communed together," is its currency and import in N. T., the topic may be either good, or evil. It seems to have been conducted on the part of Felix from a mercenary spirit, as the sequel warrants.

ⁿ Επαρχία, found only twice in this book of Acts, is represented by the word province, a verbal from επαρχομαι, auspicor, copi, from which επαρχος, præfectus-from επι and αρχω, incipio-also επαρχοτης, identical in import with επαρχια, a province. Αρχη, the root, does not indicate that which is passive, but that which is active in originating. Aoxy non principium passivum sed activum significat, a quo omnes creaturæ principium suum ducunt: quam interpretationem utriusque Testamenti pagina evincit. It is taken for the magistrate, Luke 12:11. Titus 3:1. Aoxai qui mero imperio utuntur. Those who under God have plenary power, and by that power command, administer justice within their respective dominions. Hence a province is a department of an empire placed under the management or government of one, invested with supreme authority, whether it be human or divine, or both. In this view Jesus Christ, Heb. 12:2, is called Autorem fidei et consummatorem fidei-the author and founder of the faith; not a particular or special faith, but the faith, the whole Christian institution. Crit. Sacra. This is rersation-"una versari sed hic accipitur pro colloqui," Beza. that province assigned to Jesus Christ by the apostles.

the chief of the Jews informed him against Paul, and besought him,

3 And desired favour against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, laying wait in the way to kill him.

4 But Festus answered, that Paul should be kept at Cesarea, and that he himself would de-

part shortly thither.

5 Let them therefore, said he, which among you are able, go down with me, and accuse this man, if there be any wickedness in him.

6 And when he had tarried among them more than ten days, he went down unto Cesarea; and the next day sitting on the judgment-seat, commanded Paul to be brought.

7 And when he was come, the Jews which came down from Jerusalem stood round about, and laid many and grievous complaints against Paul, which they could not prove;

8 While he answered for himself, Neither against the law of

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ρεύς καὶ οἱ πρώτοι τών Ἰουδαίων κατὰ τοῦ Παύλου, καὶ παρεκάλουν αὐτὸν, ³ αἰτούμενοι χάριν κατ' αὐτοῦ, ὅπως μεταπέμψηται αύτον είς Ίερουσαλημ, ενέδραν ποιούντες άνελείν αύτον κατά την όδόν. 4 ὁ μὲν οὖν Φηστος ἀπεκρίθη, τηρείσθαι τον Παθλον έν Καισαρεία, έαυτον δε μέλλειν έν τάχει έκπορεύεσθαι. 5 Οἱ οὖν δυνατοὶ έν ύμιν, φησὶ, συγκαταβάντες, εί τι έστιν έν τῷ ἀνδρὶ τούτφ, κατηγορείτωσαν αὐτοῦ. 6 Διατρίψας δὲ ἐν αὐτοῖς ἡμέρας πλείους ἢ δέκα, καταβὰς εἰς Καισάρειαν, τῆ έπαύριον καθίσας έπὶ τοῦ βήματος, ἐκέλευσε τὸν $\Pi \alpha \hat{v} \lambda o \nu \ \dot{\alpha} \chi \theta \hat{\eta} \nu \alpha i$. $\tau \alpha \rho \alpha \gamma \epsilon \nu o$ μένου δὲ αὐτοῦ, περιέστησαν οί άπο Ίεροσολύμων καταβεβηκότες Ἰουδαῖοι, πολλὰ καὶ βαρέα αἰτιάματα φέροντες κατὰ τοῦ Π αύλου, \mathring{a} οὐκ ἴσχυον ἀποδεῖξαι, άπολογουμένου αὐτοῦ, Οτι οὔτε

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the Jews, informed him against Paul, and besought him, bask- 3 ing for themselves a favor against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, preparing an cambush to kill him on the way. But Festus 4 answered that Paul should be kept in dcustody at Cesarea, and that he himself would shortly depart thither. Let 5 the 'powerful among you, said he, go down with me and accuse this man, if there is any wickedness in him.

And when he had tarried 6 among them more than ten days, he went down to Cesarea; and the next day sitting on the judgment-seat, commanded Paul to be brought. And when he was come, the 7 Jews who came down from Jerusalem stood around 'him, and laid many and heavy complaints against Paul, which they could not prove; while 8 he answered for himself, Neither against the law of the the Jews, neither against the είς τον νόμον τῶν Ιουδαίων, οὔτε Jews, nor against the temple,

b For δ αοχιερευς is substituted οί αρχιερεις by Ln., Tf., a | venire. Sed ut Pricæus recte monuit, hoc si Lucas voluisset, reading not so strongly supported by Gb. The priests and elders were as much as ever enraged against Paul, and nothing but his blood would satisfy their malice. Gb., Boothr.

· Ενεδραν ποιουντες. "Forming a plot to kill him," Penn; "having laid an ambush," Thomp.; "placing an ambush," Murd., "lying in wait to kill him," Wes.; "preparing an ambush," Hack.; "to lie in wait to destroy him," Boothr.

^d Aπεκριθη—εκπορενεσθαι. This indicates not a refusal, but an intimation that he should be still kept at Cæsarea, inasmuch as Festus was about to return to that place, and would, when there, judge his case.

Tηρεισθαι. "That Paul was in custody," Thomp.; "kept in custody," Hack.

* Οί ουν δυνατοι ἐν ὑμιν, the powerful, not the able. Not those who are able have it in their power. Cal., Grot., Hack. "Let the chief men among you go down with me," Thomp.; "let those, therefore, among you who are able, said he, come down with me," Penn; "Let those, therefore, among you who are able," Murd. Verba of δυνατοι έν ύμιν Erasmus, Grotius alii explicant: quibus commodum est Cæsarum sinned against Cæsar.

scripsisset. Josephus uses οἱ δυνατοι in the same sense, and many other writers as indicative of power, whether physical, moral, or ecclesiastical.

f Περιεστησαν, "stood around him, not the tribunal," Kuin.; "stood round about," "stood around him," Hack., Penn; "stood around," Thomp.; "Surrounded him," Murd. "Most manuscripts omit κατα του Παυλου, after φερουτες," Hack. Tf. has καταφεροντες, instead of φεροντες, before κατα του Παυλου. Αποδειξαι-αποδεικνυμι, probo, demonstro, Acts 2:22. 2 Thess. 2:4.

^ε Ουτε εις τον νομον-το ίερον-εις Καισαρα. Ουτε three times very specific-neither against the law, the temple, nor against Cæsar.

Eis is seldom translated against. For the most part it occurs in cases of trial, charge, or legal prosecution. Relation to, for, or against, is often indicated by it. The context must decide its value. Eis Xoιστον may, according to the import of the preceding verb, be either for, or against Christ.

Ουτε εις Καισαρα τι ήμαρτον, neither have I in any respect

temple, nor yet against Cesar have I offended any thing at all.

- 9 But Festus, willing to do the Jews a pleasure, answered Paul, and said, Wilt thou go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before me?
- 10 Then said Paul, I stand at Cesar's judgment-seat, where I ought to be judged: to the Jews have I done no wrong, as thou very well knowest.
- 11 For if I be an offender, or have committed any thing worthy of death, I refuse not to die: but if there be none of these things whereof these accuse me, no man may deliver me unto them. I appeal unto Cesar.
- 12 Then Festus, when he had conferred with the council, answered, Hast thou appealed unto Cesar? unto Cesar shalt thou go.
- 13 And after certain days, king Agrippa and Bernice came unto Cesarea, to salute Festus.
 - 14 And when they had been

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είς τὸ ίερον, οὔτε είς Καίσαρά τι ημαρτον. 9 Ο Φηστος δε τοίς 'Ιουδαίοις θέλων χάριν καταθέσθαι, ἀποκριθεὶς τῷ Παύλῳ εἶπε, Θέλεις εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα ἀναβὰς, έκει περί τούτων κρίνεσθαι έπ $\epsilon \mu o \hat{v}$; 10 $E \hat{\iota} \pi \epsilon \delta \hat{\epsilon} \delta \Pi a \hat{v} \lambda o s$, Έπὶ τοῦ βήματος Καίσαρος έστώς είμι, οὖ με δεῖ κρίνεσθαι. 'Ιουδαίους οὐδὲν ἠδίκησα, ὡς καὶ σὺ κάλλιον ἐπιγινώσκεις· 11 εἰ μέν γαρ άδικω καὶ ἄξιον θανάτου πέπραχά τι, οὐ παραιτοῦμαι τὸ άποθανείν ει δε ούδεν έστιν ών οδτοι κατηγοροῦσί μου, οὐδείς με δύναται αύτοις χαρίσασθαι. Καίσαρα ἐπικαλοῦμαι. ό Φηστος συλλαλήσας μετά τοῦ συμβουλίου, ἀπεκρίθη, Καίσαρα έπικέκλησαι, έπὶ Καίσαρα πορεύση.

13 Ημερών δε διαγενομένων τινών, 'Αγρίππας ὁ βασιλεύς καὶ Βερνίκη κατήντησαν είς Καισάρειαν, ἀσπασόμενοι τὸν $\Phi \hat{\eta}$ στον. 14 ώς δὲ πλειους ἡμέρας διέτριβον REVISED VERSION.

nor yet against Cesar have I at all offended. But Festus, 9 willing to do the Jews a bfavor, answered Paul, and said, Will you go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before me? Then said Paul, 10 I stand at Cesar's judgmentseat, where I ought to be judged: to the Jews I have done no wrong, as you 'vourself very well know. For if I 11 am doing wrong, and have committed any thing worthy of death, I refuse not to die; but if there is nothing in these matters of which they accuse me, ino man can deliver me up to them: I appeal to Cesar. Then Festus, when 12 he had talked with the council, answered, 'You have appealed to Cesar, to Cesar shall you go.

And after certain days, king 13 Agrippa and Bernice came to Cesarea to salute Festus. And 14 when they had been there many

h Καταθεοθαι, second aor. infin. mid. of κατατιθημι, repo- | forensically, to deliver, to give up; in our currency, to deliver into custody. "No one can give me up to them, merely to gratify," Dodd.; "no one has power to deliver me up to them," Penn; "no one should deliver me up to gratify them," Boothr.; "no one can gratify them at my expense," Wakef.; "no one may sacrifice me to their pleasure," Murd. -a very free translation-; "no man can give me up to gratify them," Thomp.

> Καισαρα επικαλουμαι - επικαλεομαι, ουμαι - cognominor, modo passive, modo active sumitur, et utroque, to call upon another for help in extremity, sometimes merely to call, to name, Heb. 11:16. 1 Pet. 3:15. Crit. Sacra.

- k Συλλαλησας, communing with, talking with, conferred with, is its current value, N. T. μετα-συμβουλιου, in its currency five times, N. T., counsel, twice council. Επικεκλησαι; hast thou appealed to Cæsar? Frequently surnamed call on, or upon.
- 1 Aonasomeros. Salute, greet, and embrace are its repre-Here alone, in com. ver., it is represented by to deliver up; sentatives in N. T., com. ver. Here salute is most apropos.

nere, to reinstate himself; ch. 24:27, to ingratiate himself with the Jews, Felix left Paul a prisoner. On ch. 24:27 Kuincel makes the following remark: "Χαριν, χαριτα, χαριτας κατατι θεσθαιτινι denotat, gratiam inire apud aliquem, ut suo tempore vicissim res grata expectari vel etiam posci possit," of which examples from Demosthenes, Plato, Diodorus are adduced; and further refers to Kypkius, Elsner, Wetstein. It is an act of prudent selfishness to confer a favor upon a person, in expectation that in some emergency it may redound to our advantage; nay, that it may be demanded as a right. "To do the Jews a pleasure," com. ver.

i Επι του βηματος, κ. τ. λ. Επι, followed by a genitive, occurs Matt. 27:19. In connection with judges and tribunals, and in appearing before them, connected with a genitive, ent is often represented by the word before. 23:30; 24:19; 25:26;

¹ Χαριζομαι, to give, to give frankly, to grant, to forgive.

clared Paul's cause unto the king, saying, There is a certain man left in bonds by Felix:

15 About whom, when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews informed me, desiring to have judgment against him.

16 To whom I answered, It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die, before that he which is accused have the accusers face to face, himself concerning the crime laid against him.

17 Therefore, when they were come hither, without any delay on the morrow I sat on the judgment-seat, and commanded the man to be brought forth;

18 Against whom, when the accusers stood up, they brought as I supposed:

19 But had certain questions against him of their own superGREEK TEXT.

there many days, Festus de- έκει, ὁ Φηστος τῷ βασιλεί ἀνέθετο τὰ κατὰ τὸν Παῦλον λέγων, 'Ανήρ τις έστὶ καταλελειμμένος $\dot{\upsilon}$ πο Φήλικος δέσμιος, 15 περὶ οδ, γενομένου μου είς Ίεροσάλυμα, ένεφάνισαν οι άρχιερείς καί οί πρεσβύτεροι των Ίουδαίων, αίτούμενοι κατ' αὐτοῦ δίκην. 16 πρὸς οθς απεκρίθην, ὅτι οὐκ ἔστιν έθος 'Ρωμαίοις χαρίζεσθαί τινα άνθρωπον είς ἀπώλειαν, πρὶν η δ κατηγορούμενος κατὰ πρόσωπον and have license to answer for έχοι τους κατηγόρους, τόπον τε άπολογίας λάβοι περὶ τοῦ ἐγκλήματος. 17 συνελθόντων οὖν αὐτῶν ἐνθάδε, ἀναβολὴν μηδεμίαν ποιησάμενος, τη έξης καθίσας έπὶ τοῦ βήματος, ἐκέλευσα ἀχθῆναι τὸν ἄνδρα· 18 περὶ οὖ σταθέντες οι κατήγοροι οὐδεμίαν none accusation of such things αἰτίαν ἐπέφερον ὧν ὑπενόουν έγω· 19 (ητήματα δέ τινα π ερὶ ed: but had certain questions 19 της ιδίας δεισιδαιμονίας είχον against him respecting their stition, and of one Jesus, which πρὸς αὐτὸν, καὶ περί τινος Ἰησοῦ own religion, and of one Je-

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days, Festus "set forth to the king the facts concerning Paul. saying, There is a certain man left prisoner by Felix; about 15 whom, when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews brought an information, asking for themselves justice against him: to 16 whom I answered: It is not the custom of the Romans to deliver any man to die before he that is accused "have his accusers face to face, and have an opportunity to answer for himself concerning the charge. Therefore, when they had come 17 hither, without any odelay on the morrow, I sat on the judgmentseat, and commanded the man to be brought; against whom, 18 pwhen the accusers stood up, they brought no accusation of such things as I surmis-

Χαριζεσθαι τινα ανθρωπον, "to gratify any man with the condemnation of another," Wakef.; "to give up any man to destruction," Thomp., Dodd.; "to give up a man gratuitously to be slain," Murd.; "to give up any man," Penn; "to deliver up any man to die," Boothr.

- · Αναβολην—an άπαξ λεγομενον—delay.
- P Υπενοουν εγω, imperfect active of ὑπονοεω, suspicor. "Against whom, when his accusers stood up, they brought no accusation of such things as I supposed," Dodd. "And his accusers stood up with him, and they were not able to substantiate any criminal charge against him as I had expected," Wakef. "They advanced no charge of such things as I expected," Thomp.

After ὑπενοουν εγω, πονηφαν is added by Ln., doubtful by Gb.

Ynevoov, "which is suspected," Hackett; "expected," Wakef., Thomp.; "supposed," Wes., Penn.

m Aνεθετο, "laid the case of Paul before the king" Penn, | the only occurrences of this word in the N. T., rendered, com. ver., superstition, and superstitious.

> Not too superstitious, some say, because Paul would not have aroused their prejudices. This is doubtful, "Much given to Divine worship," not too superstitious, as our translators have expressed. "Veyne worshiperes," Wiclif; "more than others attentive to religious matters," Bloomfield. This is sufficiently paraphrastic. Pollux has assigned δεισιδαιμων to the pious. It is by some supposed that Paul used it in this favorable sense, to propitiate the ears of the Athenians. None doubt that Paul found a true bill when he charged the Athenians of being exceedingly devoted to the worship of the shades or spirits of dead hero-men.

"Δεισιδαιμονευτερους, a vox medio, may signify also, more superstitious," Hack., who on ch. 17: 21-23 adds: "It is improbable, as a matter of just rhetoric, that the apostle employed it in that reproachful sense at the outset of his remarks." He proceeds to deduce their seeking after God (which Paul, doubtless, considered as something good) from this δεισιδαιμονια, or religious propensity, so prevalent among the Athenians. He announces himself as one who would 4 Δεισιδαιμονιας, and δεισιδαιμονεστερος, ch. 17: 22, are guide their δεισιδαιμονια, not rightly conscious of its object

Wakef.; laid the business," Dodd.

ⁿ Εις απωλειαν omitted by Gb., Ln., Tf.

was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be alive.

20 And because I doubted of such manner of questions, I asked him whether he would go to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these matters.

21 But when Paul had appealed to be reserved unto the hearing of Augustus, I commanded him to be kept till I might send him to Cesar.

Festus, I would also hear the man myself. To-morrow, said he, thou shalt hear him.

23 And on the morrow, when Agrippa was come, and Bernice, with great pomp, and was entered into the place of hearing, with the chief captains and principal men of the city, at Festus' commandment Paul was brought forth.

24 And Festus said, King Agrippa, and all men which are here present with us, ye see this GREEK TEXT.

τεθνηκότος, δυ έφασκευ ο Παῦλος ζην. 20 απορούμενος δὲ έγω είς την περί τούτου (ήτησιν, έλεγον, εί βούλοιτο πορεύεσθαι είς Iερουσαλ $\mathring{\eta}$ μ, κάκε $\hat{\iota}$ κρίνεσhetaα ι περὶ τοῦτων. 21 τοῦ δὲ Παύλου έπικαλεσαμένου τηρηθηναι αύτον είς την τοῦ Σεβαστοῦ διάγνωσιν, έκέλευσα τηρείσθαι αύτον, έως οῦ πέμψω αὐτὸν πρὸς Καίσαρα. 22 ' $A\gamma
ho i\pi\pi lpha s$ $\delta \epsilon \pi
ho \delta s$ $au \delta
ho \eta \sigma au \sigma au$ 22 Then Agrippa said unto ζφη, Έβουλόμην καὶ αὐτος τοῦ άνθρώπου άκοῦσαι. Ο δε, Αὔριον, φησίν, ακούση αύτοῦ.

 $T\hat{\eta}$ οὖν ἐπαύριον ἐλθόντος τοῦ ᾿Αγρίππα καὶ τῆς Bερνίκης μετὰ πολλης φαντασίας, είσελθόντων είς τὸ ἀκροατῆριον, σύν τε τοις χιλιάρχοις και άνδράσι τοις κατ έξοχην οδσι της πόλεως, καὶ κελεύσαντος τοῦ Φήστου, ήχθη ὁ Παῦλος. φησιν ὁ Φηστος, 'Αγρίππα βασιλεῦ, καὶ πάντες οἱ συμπαρόντες man about whom all the multi- $\eta \mu \hat{\nu} \nu = \alpha \nu \delta \rho \epsilon \hat{\nu}$, $\theta \epsilon \omega \rho \epsilon \hat{\nu} \tau \epsilon \tau \delta \nu \nu$ ent with us, you see this

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sus, who had died, whom Paul affirmed to be alive. And be- 20 cause I doubted how to investigate such questions, I asked him whether he would go to Jerusalem, and be judged concerning these matters: but Paul having appealed, to 21 be kept as a prisoner, with a view to the examination of Augustus, I commanded him to be kept till I shall send him to Cæsar. Then Agrippa 22 said to Festus, I myself also would wish to hear the man. To-morrow, said he, you shall hear him.

And on the morrow, when 23 Agrippa had come, and Bernice, with much pomp, and had entered into the place of audience, with the chiliarchs and principal men of the city, at the command of Festus, Paul was brought forth. Then 24 Festus says, King Agrippa, and all men who are pres-

and aim, to a state of clear self-consciousness, by a revelation | have the διαγνωσις—diagnosis of disease, or its symptoms of the object to which it thus ignorantly tended. Neander, Hackett.

Θρησκεια is the word used by James and Paul to indicate religion in its Jewish and Christian sense and currency, and much more in concert with its object and design than designδαιμονία.

* Διαγνωσομαι-διαγνωσις. The latter term occurs but once in the Christian Scriptures, and is here rendered, in com. ver., hearing, the hearing of Augustus. Cognition is its most appropriate representative in our vernacular. The judgment, or hearing of a cause—a trial, or an investigation, or examination-presents it in its full import. Any one of these, indeed, answers the present occasion. This is a striking instance of the freedom of interpretation of metaphorical language. Cognosco instead of connosco, or of con and nosco.

Suetonius, to judge, or determine a matter. Physicians have

as an English word naturalized and nationalized.

- * Εβουλομην και αυτος. Εβουλομαι, was minded, willing, intended, disposed, would. Such is the variety of its renderings, com. ver. I myself was willing, quite analogous to Paul's style, Rom. 9: 3, ηυχομην γαρ αυτος. Like the Jews, said Paul, For I too myself was wishing to be accursed from Christ, αναθημα ειναι- not when he wrote to the Romans, but comparing himself to them in his former state, as if he had said, "As they are now so once was I," wishing to be accounted accursed from Christ. So Agrippa said to Festus, Εβουλομην και αυτος, I also myself am wishing to hear him, I desire to hear him. Agrippa ad cujus aures plura de Jesu et Christianorum secta pervenerant. Vide 26: 28. Kuin.
- * Μετα πολλης φαντασίας, cum ingenti pompa—with great Cicero uses this word as equivalent to make inquiry, and pomp-εισελθοντων εις το ακοσατηρίον, having entered with great pomp into το ακροατηρίον, the Hall of audience—the introduced this word into their science and art, and now we place of hearing-found only in this place N. T., Auditorium.

me, both at Jerusalem, and also here, crying that he ought not to live any longer.

25 But when I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death, and that he himself hath appealed to Augustus, I have determined to send him.

26 Of whom I have no certain thing to write unto my lord. Wherefore I have brought him forth before you, and specially before thee, O king Agrippa, that after examination had, I might have somewhat to write.

27 For it seemeth to me unreasonable to send a prisoner, and not withal to signify the crimes laid against him.

CHAP. XXVI.

THEN Agrippa said unto Paul, Thou art permitted to speak for Then Paul stretched forth the hand, and answered for himself:

2 I think myself happy, king Agrippa, because I shall answer for myself this day before thee, touching all the things whereof I am accused of the Jews:

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tude of the Jews have dealt with $\pi \epsilon \rho i$ ob $\pi \hat{\alpha} \nu$ to $\pi \lambda \hat{\eta} \theta$ os $\tau \hat{\omega} \nu$ Iovδαίων ένέτυχον μοι έν τε Ίεροσολύμοις καὶ ἐνθάδε, ἐπιβοώντες μη δείν ζην αύτον μηκέτι. 25 έγω δὲ καταλαβόμενος μηδὲν ἄξιον θανάτου αὐτὸν πεπραχέναι, καὶ αύτοῦ δὲ τούτου ἐπικαλεσαμένου τον Σεβαστον, έκρινα πέμπειν αὐτόν. 26 περὶ οῦ ἀσφαλές τι γράψαι τῷ κυρίφ οὐκ ἔχω· διὸ προήγαγου αὐτὸν ἐφ' ὑμῶν, καὶ μάλιστα έπὶ σοῦ, βασίλεῦ Αγρίππα, ὅπως τῆς ἀνακρίσεως γενομένης σχῶ τι γράψαι. 27 ἄλογον γάρ μοι δοκεί, πέμποντα δέσμιον, μη καὶ τὰς κατ' αὐτοῦ αίτίας σημάναι.

CHAP. XXVI.

'ΑΓΡΙΠΠΑΣ δὲ πρὸς τὸν Παῦλον ἔφη, Ἐπιτρέπεταί σοι ύπὲρ σεαυτοῦ λέγειν. Τότε ὁ Παῦλος ἀπελογεῖτο, ἐκτείνας τὴν χείρα, 2 Περὶ πάντων ὧν έγκαλοῦμαι ὑπὸ Ἰουδαίων, βασιλεῦ Αγρίππα, ήγημαι έμαυτον μακάριον μέλλων ἀπολογεῖσθαι ἐπὶ 3 μάλιστα γνώσοῦ σήμερον·

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man about whom "all the multitude of the Jews have interceded with me, both at Jerusalem, and also here, crying out that he ought not to live any longer. But when I found 25 that he had committed nothing worthy of death, and he himself having appealed to Augustus, I determined to send him: of whom I have 26 nothing certain to write to my sovereign, wherefore I have brought him forth before you; and especially before you, king Agrippa, that after examination, I may have something to write. For it 27 seems to me "unreasonable to send a prisoner, and not also to signify the charges against him.

CHAP. XXVI.

Then Agrippa says to Paul, 1 You are *permitted to speak for yourself. Then Paul stretched forth his hand, and answered for himself: I think 2 myself happy, king Agrippa, because I shall answer for myself this day before you, concerning all the things of which I am accused by bJews:

" The procurator could say, παν το πληθος των Ιουδαιων, "all the whole multitude of the Jews." A very vague charge, επιβοωντες μη δειν ζην αυτον μηκετι.

Ενετυχον μοι, in malem partem, interceded with me. "Some manuscripts read, ζην αυτον, others, αυτον ζην—and so in the next verse some read, θανατού αυτού, and others, αυτού θανα-Tov." Hack.

* Περι ού, concerning whom I have nothing sure, definite to write to the sovereign. "In σχω τι γραψαι the pronoun belongs to the first verb, not to the second," Kuin., Hack. "Some repeat as quales after to (Mey.), which is not necessary," Hack. For γραψαι Ln., Tf. γραψω, Gb. doubtful.

w "For it is unsuitable when we send up a prisoner, not to designate his offense," Murd.: "unreasonable in sending a prisoner, not to signify the charges against him," Wes., Penn; "without specifying the charge," Thomp.; "signifying the charge," Wakef.; "the charges," Boothr.

* Επιτοεπεται σοι ύπερ σεαυτου λεγειν. For ύπερ, Ln., Tf., Gb. would substitute περι. Nothing important in deciding this case; whether concerning himself, or for himself, is quite equal in law, or equity. And whether we represent επιπρεπω by suffer, or permit, or have leave, or license, or liberty, is wholly a matter of taste, as it is, indeed, in a hundred other cases. In our taste, we would prefer, "you are permitted to speak for yourself," or, thou art permitted to speak for thyself. You should be followed by yourself, and thou by thyself, a congruity which is not always appreciated, or even

b Grammatically, there is a difference between Jews, and the Jews. The former may be only a clique; the latter is the whole nation. We appreciate the difference between, Americans have taken Cuba, and, the Americans have taken Cuba. As a scribe, or even as a prudent man, Paul would not have represented himself before King Agrippa as having the whole

3 Especially, because I know thee to be expert in all customs and questions which are among the Jews: wherefore I beseech thee to hear me patiently.

4 My manner of life from my youth, which was at the first among mine own nation at Jerusalem, know all the Jews,

5 Which knew me from the beginning, (if they would testify,) that after the most straitest sect of our religion, I lived a Pharisee.

6 And now I stand, and am judged for the hope of the promise made of God unto our fathers:

7 Unto which promise our twelve tribes, instantly serving God day and night, hope to come. For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews.

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στην όντα σε πάντων τῶν κατὰ Ιουδαίους έθων τε καὶ ζητημάτων. διὸ δέομαί σου, μακροθύμως $\frac{4}{7}$ $\tau \dot{\eta} \nu \mu \dot{\epsilon} \nu o \dot{\vartheta} \nu$ άκοῦσαί μου. βίωσίν μου την έκ νεότητος, την άπ' άρχης γενομένην έν τῷ ἔθνει μου έν Ίεροσολύμοις, ἴσασι πάντες οἱ Ἰουδαῖοι, 5προγινώσκοντές με ἄνωθεν, έὰν θέλωσι μαρτυρείν, ὅτι κατὰ τὴν ἀκριβεστάτην αίρεσιν την ήμετέρας θρησκείας έζησα Φαρισαίος. 6 καὶ νῦν ἐπ' ἐλπίδι τῆς πρὸς τους πατέρας έπαγγελίας γενομένης ύπὸ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἔστηκα κρινόμενος, 7 είς ην το δωδεκάφυλον ήμων έν έκτενεία νύκτα καὶ ημέραν λατρεύον έλπίζει καταντησαι περί ης έλπίδος έγκαλοῦμαι, βασιλεῦ Αγρίππα, ὑπὸ τῶν REVISED VERSION.

because I know you to be 3 especially 'skilled in all customs and questions which are among Jews; wherefore I beseech you to hear me patiently.

My manner of life from my 4 youth, which was at the first among my own nation at Jerusalem, all the Jews know, who have aknown me from 5 the beginning, if they would testify, that after the strictest sect of our religion, I lived a Pharisee. And now I stand, 6 and am judged for the hope of the promise made by God to our fathers: to the accom- 7 plishment of which promise our twelve tribes, earnestly serving God day and night, hope to attain; on account of which hope, king Agrippa, 8 Why should it be thought 'Ιουδαίων. ⁸τί; ἄπιστον κρίνε- I am accused by Jews. What! 8

and judiciously says, Jews, certain Jews.

On this ὑπο Ιουδαιων Professor Hackett says—" without the article (comp. 22:30), because he would represent the accusation as purely Jewish in its character." Very good, indeed; but not quite enough. Purely Jewish may include the whole nation of the Jews; but that was still too formidable for the occasion. To have the Jewish people all in combination against him, was, indeed, greatly enhancing the argument against himself. But Paul, still more prudently, gives the bald indefinite word Jews, indicating a mere clique, and neither a tribe, nor a nation, nor a whole people. It is not often that we find an illustration, so unambiguous and forcible, of the grammatical power of the presence or absence of the article. The power of its absence can only be valued by the power of its presence. "The head and front of his offending" extends only to an indefinite class of Jews. We, therefore, prefer, "I am accused by Jews," to, "I am accused by the Jews."

· Μαλιστα γνωστην, especially intelligent, is good: but we think, skilled, especially skilled, is better.

Wisdom, skill, and knowledge, are not synonymous, but often confounded. There is no writer known to us that does not often confound these terms. And, indeed, our lexico- ginning," Penn.

nation of the Jews combined against him; he very legally graphers are perplexed in defining them. Webster himself is bewildered in his efforts to discriminate and clearly distinguish them. Our very best writers and orators confound them. Knowledge is both speculative and practical. Wisdom is the maximum of knowledge, prudence, and discretion combined. We may have much knowledge, and no wisdom. We sometimes find intelligent fools, and comparatively ignorant wise men. "I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out the knowledge of artful devices," said the wisest and the most intelligent man of Bible history. Knowledge is theoretic and speculative; wisdom is discriminating and practical. "The Sophia of the Greeks, and the Chachemah of the Hebrews, are indicative of that prudence and discretion which enable men to perceive what is fit or suitable to be done, according to the knowledge they may possess of the circumstances of time, place, persons, manners, and end of doing." So defines Alexander Cruden in his Concordance; and in this definition he excels all the lexicographers that come within my horizon.

> d Προγινωσκοντες με ανωθεν. "Who knew me from the first," Wes.; "who were acquainted with me many years ago." Wakef.; they have a prior knowledge of me, from an early period," Thomp.; "Who have known me from the be-

a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?

9 I verily thought with myself, that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth.

10 Which thing I also did in Jerusalem: and many of the saints did I shut up in prison, having received anthority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I gave my voice against them.

11 And I punished them oft in every synagogue, and compelled them to blaspheme; and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted them even unto strange cities.

12 Whereupon, as I went to Damascus, with authority and commission from the chief priests,

13 At mid-day, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me, and them which journeyed with me.

14 And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking unto me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

15 And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest.

16 But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared GREEK TEXT.

ται παρ' ύμιν, εί ὁ Θεὸς νεκρούς έγείρει; θ έγω μεν οδυ έδοξα έμαυτώ προς το όνομα Ίησου τοῦ Ναζωραίου δεῖν πολλὰ έναντία πράξαι· 10 ο καὶ ἐποίησα ἐν 'Ιεροσολύμοις, καὶ πολλούς τῶν άγίων έγω φυλακαις κατέκλεισα, την παρά των άρχιερέων έξουσίαν λαβών άναιρουμένων τε αὐτῶν κατήνεγκα ψηφον. 11 καὶ κατὰ πάσας τὰς συναγωγὰς πολλάκις τιμωρών αὐτοὺς, ἡνάγκαζον βλασφημείν περισσώς τε έμμαινόμενος αυτοίς, έδίωκον έως καὶ εἰς τὰς έξω πόλεις. 12 έν οἷς καὶ πορευόμενος είς τὴν Δαμασκον μετ' έξουσίας καὶ έπιτροπης της παρά των άρχιερέων, 13 ήμέρας μέσης, κατὰ τὴν ὁδὸν εἶδον, βασιλεῦ, οὐρανόθεν ὑπὲρ τὴν λαμπρότητα τοῦ ἡλίου, περιλάμψαν με φως καὶ τοὺς σύν ἐμοὶ πορευομενους. ¹⁴ πάντων δὲ καταπεσόντων ήμῶν εἰς τὴν γῆν, ήκουσα φωνήν λαλοῦσαν πρός με καὶ λέγουσαν τῆ Εβραίδι διαλέκτω, Σαούλ, Σαούλ, τί με διώκεις; σκληρόν σοι προς κέντρα λακτίζειν. 15 Έγὰ δὲ εἶπον, Τίς εἶ κύριε; Ο δὲ εἶπεν, Έγώ είμι 'Ιησους ον συ διώκεις. 16 άλλὰ ἀνάστηθι, καὶ στῆθι ἐπὶ τοὺς unto thee for this purpose, to πόδας σου· είς τοῦτο γὰρ ἄφθην make you a minister and a wit-

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Is it judged incredible with you 'that God raises the dead? I, indeed, thought with myself 9 that I ought to do many things against the name of Jesus of Nazareth. Which things I also 10 did in Jerusalem: and many of the saints I shut up in prisons, having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I gave my vote against them. And 11 punishing them often throughout all the synagogues, I compelled them to revile 'Jesus, and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted them even to foreign cities. In doing this, as I went to Da- 12 mascus, with authority and commission from the chief priests, at mid-day, O king, I saw along 13 the gway a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me, and those that journeyed with me. And when we had all fallen to 14 the earth, I heard a voice speaking to me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It is hard for you to kick against ^hgoads. And I said, Who art 15 thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom you persecute. But rise, and stand upon 16 your feet: for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to

e Ei is very generally translated by if: by that, in the com. | speak against Christ, or to speak disparagingly of him, is blasphemy.

ver. Ti, interrogative, what? indicative of surprise. According to punctuation in Bagster's selected readings, we punctuate and render it, What? Is it judged, etc.

^{&#}x27; To revile Jesus. Jesus, in this place, is a necessary supplement to ordinary readers. Indeed, it is contextually the sense of the passage. It was not as some, if not many, of the uneducated imagine, to blaspheme God. To

E Κατα την όδον, "on the way," De Wette, (Mey., Rob.); " along the way," Hack.

h Instances of this formula are given, from Greek and Roman writers.

[&]quot;Nam quæ inscita est, Adversum stimulum calces."-Terence.

make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee:

17 Delivering thee from the people, and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee,

18 To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

19 Whereupon, Oking Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto

the heavenly vision:

20 But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of GREEK TEXT.

σοι, προχειρίσασθαι σε ύπηρέτην καὶ μάρτυρα ὧν τε εἶδες ὧν τε οφθήσομαί σοι, 17 έξαιρούμενός σε έκ τοῦ λαοῦ καὶ τῶν έθνων, είς οθς νθν σε άποστέλλω, 18 ἀνοίξαι ὀφθαλμούς αὐτῶν, τοῦ έπιστρέψαι άπὸ σκότους εἰς φῶς καὶ τῆς έξουσίας τοῦ Σατανα έπὶ τον Θεον, του λαβείν αὐτοὺς άφεσιν άμαρτιῶν, καὶ κληρον έν τοις ήγιασμένοις, πίστει τη είς έμέ. 19 "Οθεν βασιλεῦ 'Αγρίππα, ούκ έγενόμην άπειθης τη ουρανίω όπτασία, 20 άλλα τοις έν Δαμασκώ πρώτον καὶ Ίεροσολύμοις, είς πᾶσάν τε τὴν χώραν Judea, and then to the Gentiles, της 'Ιουδαίας, καὶ τοῖς ἔθνεσιν, and then to the Gentiles, that

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ness both of those things you have seen, and of those things in which I will appear to you; delivering you from the peo- 17 ple, and from the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, to 18 open their eyes, that they may turn from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may 'receive forgiveness of sins, and an inheritance among them that are sanctified, by the faith respecting *me.

Whence, king Agrippa, I 19 was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but showed 20 first to those of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the region of Judea,

¹ Tov λαβειν, κ. τ. λ., expresses the direct object of the second infinitive, and the alternate object of the first. Hack.

This is an impressive, as well as a most perspicuous and connected summary of means and ends. Paul's work is sententiously expressed under the figure of "opening" closed eyes, or blind eyes. This was his work, being declared in this place as the end of his mission. Their work, whose eyes were enlightened, is also explicitly declared. It is distinctly, 1st, turning from darkness to light; 2dly, and, consequently, that they might receive, first, a "remission of sins;" and, in the next place, "an inheritance amongst the sanctified; and then again the means are proposed-"through faith," or " by faith." It is πιστει τη εις εμε.

k Hiotei th eis eue. "Our English translators, and some others, join with ήγιασμενος; but the words specify evidently the condition by which believers obtain the pardon of sin, and an interest in the heavenly inheritance." Hackett. Eis is seldom represented by upon, and even in those cases it may be, if not more, intelligibly rendered "in regard to," in reference to," or, in order to some end, or object.

 $E\iota s = \pi \iota \sigma \tau \epsilon \iota \tau \eta$. This is the distinctive and most characteristic instrument in the Evangelical dispensation, or the present existing administration of the remedial system, consummated in the person, the mission, and the work of the Lord Jesus Christ. Faith is, however, but an instrument. It is never an ultimate end, but a means to the attainment of ultimate ends.

The translators of the Received Version were quite arbitrary in their respect to the presence of the article. Some forty times they have annihilated it in their version, when the apostles wrote it as all important to the proper and profitable understanding of the mind of the Spirit.

Hioris, faith, and η mioris, the faith, are very distinct ideas. We have this most important common noun in the apostolic writings in two very different, distinct, and clearly appreciable attitudes; subjectively and objectively contemplated. When used subjectively, in reference to a person, unless it become itself the subject of a proposition, it is anarthrous; when objectively, with the article always, or with some other distinguishing connective, indicative of its special significance and association. On turning to Paul's splendid development of the renowned "cloud of witnesses," he summons the mighty men of faith to demonstrate his own definition of it. He first defines faith, and gives twenty-three cases of it, illustrative of it as a principle of action in its subject. In each and every one of these cases it is anarthrous. In conclusion (Heb. 11: 39) he says, ούτοι παντες μαρτυρη-Fevres dia the miotews. Thus distinguishing the faith objectively, from faith subjectively contemplated; -an inheritance through the faith.

Eιs εμε, towards me, into me, are awkward and clumsy formulas of speech. With regard to me, or respecting me, are not only good English, but as fashionable as unto me, toward me, concerning me, upon me, at me, all of which, and many similar are, in com. ver., constituted representatives of ELS, in its numerous and various associations.

¹ For νυν, Gb., Ln., Tf. substitute εγω.

to God, and do works meet for repentance.

21 For these causes the Jews caught me in the temple, and went about to kill me.

22 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come:

23 That Christ should suffer. and that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.

24 And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside thyself; much learning doth make thee mad.

25 But he said, I am not mad, most noble Festus; but speak forth the words of truth and soberness.

26 For the king knoweth of these things, before whom also I speak freely. For I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him; for this thing was not done in a corner. | γάρ ἐστιν ἐν γωνία πεπραγμένον | been done in a reorner. King 27

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that they should repent and turn απαγγέλλων μετανοείν, καὶ έπιστρέφειν έπὶ τὸν Θεὸν, ἄξια τῆς μετανοίας έργα πράσσοντας. 21 ξνεκα τούτων με οι Ιουδαίοι συλλαβόμενοι έν τῷ ίερῷ, έπειρώντο διαχειρίσασθαι. 22 έπικουρίας οὖν τυχὼν τῆς παρὰ τοῦ Θεού, ἄχρι της ημέρας ταύτης έστηκα, μαρτυρούμενος μικρώ τε καὶ μεγάλω, οὐδὲν ἐκτὸς λέγων ών τε οι προφήται έλάλησαν μελλόντων γίνεσθαι καὶ Μωσῆς, 23 εἰ παθητὸς ὁ Χριστὸς, εἰ πρῶτος έξ άναστάσεως νεκρών φώς μέλλει καταγγέλλειν τῷ λαῷ καὶ τοῖς ἔθνεσι. ²⁴ Ταῦτα δὲ αὐτοῦ άπολογουμένου, ὁ Φηστος μεγάλη τ $\hat{\eta}$ φων $\hat{\eta}$ έ $\phi\eta$, Mαίνη Πα \hat{v} λ $\epsilon\cdot$ τὰ πολλά σε γράμματα είς μανίαν περιτρέπει. 25 'Ο δέ, Οὐ μαίνομαι, φησὶ, κράτιστε Φηστε, άλλ' άληθείας καὶ σωφροσύνης ρήματα ἀποφθέγγομαι. σταται γὰρ περὶ τούτων ὁ βασιλεύς, προς ον και παρρησιαζόμενος λαλῶ· λανθάνειν γὰρ αὐτόν τι τούτων οὐ πείθομαι οὐδέν οὐ

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they should reform and turn to God, and do works proper for reformation. For these 21 causes the Jews seized me in the temple, and tried to kill Having, however, ob- 22 tained the help of God, I continue to this day, testifying both to small and great, saying no other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say would come: that 23 the Christ "was to suffer, and that he first, by his resurrection from the dead, would show light to the people, and to the Gentiles.

And as he thus spoke for 24 himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, you are mad, much learning has made you mad. But he says, I am not mad, 25 most excellent Festus; but speak the words of truth and of a sound mind. For the 26 king well knows concerning these things, before whom, therefore, I speak boldly; for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him: for this thing has not

μετανοεω and μετανοια should be represented in all cases by reform and reformation. They are not equivalents to meraμελομαι and μεταμελεια. When and where the Holy Spirit uses two words, we should not use only one. Panitentia is not reformatio. A change of views is not a change of conduct, nor a change of life. That sinners should not only be penitent-regret, and mourn over the past-not merely profess reformation, but do works meet, or suitable to such profession of reformation. Mexamehena is mere painful and sorrowful reminiscences of the past, pregnant with fearful forebodings of the future; but a change of views, a change of mind and purpose, a change of heart and of life are represented by με- and did die, according to the Scriptures. τανοια. There are works meet and suitable to a change of views and a change of heart which are called works meet for rences in Paul's writings. It is an antithesis of μανια ου μαινο-

the Christ can suffer. De Wette, Mey. "Not whether he must | Hackett.

1 We are still more penetrated with the conviction that suffer in order to fulfill the Scripture." Hackett. "Some make $\varepsilon\iota = \delta\tau\iota$, i. e., the sign of a moderated assertion." Hack. "That the Christ would suffer death," Wakef., Penn; "should suffer," Thomp., Boothr. According to Hackett, the Apostle "approaches the question on the Jewish side of it, not on the Christian, and that was, whether the Messiah being such as many of the Jews expected, could suffer." Others make & equal oxi, that, = that he would suffer, and that he would rise, etc. He is, indeed, the προτοτοκος εκ των νεκρων with Christians. But such was not the Messiah expected by the Jews. And, therefore, the point in debate was whether, according to prophecy, the Messiah could suffer death. Paul proved that he could die,

ⁿ Σωφροσυνη, sobriety. So rendered in its two other occurμαι-αληθειας, of truth, "as opposed not merely to falsehood, m Ειπαθητος δ Χριστος, might otherwise be rendered, whether but to the fancies and hallucinations of a disordered intellect."

27 King Agrippa, believest τοῦτο. thou the prophets? I know that thou believest.

28 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian.

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'Αγρίππα τοις προφήταις; οίδα prophets? I know that you beὅτι πιστεύεις. $\pi \alpha s \pi \rho \delta s \tau \delta \nu H \alpha \hat{v} \lambda \delta \nu \epsilon \phi \eta$, E_{ν} to Paul, You in a little time perολίγω με πείθεις Χριστιανον suade me to become a Chris-

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 $\pi \iota \sigma \tau \epsilon \dot{\nu} \epsilon \iota s$ $\beta \alpha \sigma \iota \lambda \epsilon \hat{\nu}$ Agrippa, do you believe the 28 ° O $\delta \epsilon$ ' $A\gamma \rho i\pi$ - lieve them. Then Agrippa said 28

· Εν ολιγω-χοονω, in a little time. At this rate you per- field, and every fowl of the air to Adam to see what he would suade me to be a Christian. By taking ev olive as quantitative instead of temporal, Meyer brings out this sense from the expression, "with little effort you persuade me to become a Christian." In other words (said sarcastically), "you appeal to me as if you thought me an easy convert to your faith." "Should εν μεγαλω, according to Mey. and Tf., be adopted as the current reading in Paul's reply, instead of ev πολλω, this would be correct; but the testimony for the common text outweighs that against it," Hack., Neander, De Wette. It is at present held to be unphilological to translate εν ολιγφ almost (Beza, Grotius, Eng. Ver.). "The Greek for that sense would have been olivou dei, or mag' olivou. Agrippa appears to have been moved by the apostle's earnest manner, but attempts to conceal his emotion under the form of a jest," Hack.

Whatever may have been his motives or convictions, sincerely or insincerely expressed, he gives conspicuity and emphasis to the Christian name as then of some notoriety. As to the origin of this name, the consideration of which we deferred to this place though occurring ch. 11:26, we are called upon to notice. The word Xoiotiavos is found only three times in the Christian Scriptures, Acts 11:26; 26:28; 1 Pet. 4:16. Whether this name was self-imposed, or imposed on the disciples of Christ by their enemies, is even yet a litigated question. The com. ver. makes the disciples passive in receiving this name; so does Wakef., Murd., Dodd., Thomp., Boothr., Wiclif, Tynd., Cranmer, the Genevan, the Rheims, all lying before me. I have before me also the London Polyglott, published by Bagster and Sons, under the supervision of the distinguished Dr. Lee. In this admirable work at one opening, we have the Hebrew, Greek, Latin, German, French, Spanish, Italian, and English Old Testament and New; and in all these, so far as we understand them, we find them unanimous and uniform in presenting the disciples at Antioch not as active, but as passive, in receiving the name Christian. Superadded to these authorities the impressive fact that every creature in the universe is passive, in receiving a name, confirms our convictions that neither Paul nor Barnabas, nor any inspired man, then and there, first called the disciples of Christ at Antioch Christians. Sacred history, from its first to its last page, presents this view. God himself gave the first man a name. Adam gave to his wife the name Eve, or life, and to the whole animal creation around him. He did this work so appropriately that God confirmed it all;

call them. And whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that became the name thereof." Gen. 2:19. Adam was, therefore, the most learned zoologist that ever lived.

But we must hear the profound Kuincel on this verb chreematizoo. Χοηματίζω (chreematizoo) among the Greeks in Attica indicated to transact anything, or so to transact a matter that it should thence obtain a name. His own words are: "Atticis erat res agere; apud recensiores res ita agere ut nomen inde adispicaris hinc significatione intransitiva." In consulting Thesaurus Graca Lingua, secundum Constantini methodum et Schrevellii, Reseratus, concinnatus, et adornatas, studio et industria Guilelmi Robertson, Cantabrigia, A.D. 1676, we find this name dilated upon in the words following, to wit: "Χρηματισαι τους μαθητας Χριστιανους, nam cognomenta hominibus imponi solebant ex negotio quod tractabant, vel ex efficio quo fungebantur; item oraculo reddo. Responsum do at postulata, ut πρεσβείας χρηματίζειν. Diodorus." To this high authority we shall only add that of Leigh's Crit. Sacra, London, A. D. 1650: "Χρηματίζω, ομαι, nominor, Divinitas nuncior. Rom. 7: 3, χοηματίσει, vocabitur scil. adultera -she shall be called an adulteress." Acts 11:26 it indicates "to be called," "to be named," not to call themselves. Let us hear Kuincel a little further. "Quæritur, imposuerintne Christi Sectatores sibi ipsi hoc nomen, an illud acceperint ab aliis. Christi cultores ipsos primum usos esse Christianorum appellatione non modo probari nequit, sed etiam gravibus negari potest argumentis. Primum enim, si sibi ipsi peculiare nomen vindicassent, invidiam adversus se graviorem excitassent, et magis magisque aluissent." "That the Christian worshipers placed this name upon themselves is not only void of all scriptural evidence; but can be denied with weighty arguments. If they had asserted, or vindicated a right to the name, they would have only excited a more grievous enmity against themselves, and more and more nourished it." So reasoned Kuincel. Besides, the Greek text, fairly interpreted, affords no authority for such an idea. That it may with all propriety, and with little or no reasonable offense, now be assumed and worn by the disciples of Christ everywhere, is not to be questioned, at least, comes not within our present horizon.

But it may be said, Does not the word χρηματιζω in Hebrew style intimate a Divine oracle? Does it not in the Christian currency imply or involve a Divine communication, or suggestion? We can positively say that while this may for Moses says, "The Lord God brought every beast of the sometimes be the case, it does not necessarily indicate such an

29 And Paul said, I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds.

39 And when he had thus spoken, the king rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and they that sat with them:

31 And when they were gone aside, they talked between themselves, saying, This man doeth nothing worthy of death, or of bonds.

32 Then said Agrippa unto Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not appealed unto Cesar.

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νενέσθαι. 29 ° Ο δε Παῦλος εἴπεν, Εύξαίμην αν τω Θεώ, καὶ έν ολίγω καὶ έν πολλώ οὐ μόνον σε, άλλα και πάντας τους άκούοντάς μου σήμερον, γενέσθαι τοιούτους όποιος κάγω είμι, παρεκτός τῶν δεσμῶν τούτων. 30 Καὶ ταῦτα εἰπόντος αὐτοῦ, ἀνέστη ὁ βασιλεύς καὶ ὁ ἡγεμων, ή τε Βερνίκη, καὶ οἱ συγκαθήμενοι 31 καὶ ἀναχωρήσαντες έλάλουν προς άλλήλους λέγοντες, Ότι οὐδὲν θανάτου ἄξιον η δεσμῶν πράσσει ὁ ἄνθρωπος αὧτος. 32 'Αγρίππας δὲ τῷ Φήστῳ ἔφη, ' Απολελύσθαι έδύνατο ὁ ἄνθρωπος οὖτος, εἰ μὴ ἐπεκέκλητο Καίσαρα.

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tian. And Paul said, PI would 29 to God, that not only you, but also all that hear me this day, were, in a little or much time. such as I am, except these bonds.

And when he had said these 30 things, the king rose qup, and the governor, and Bernice, and they who sat with them, and 31 when they had gone aside, they talked among themselves. saying, This man does nothing worthy of death, or of bonds. Then Agrippa said to Festus, 32 This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not appealed to Cesar.

idea. Its use in the Christian Scriptures does not always in- man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let dicate such an idea. For example, in its nine occurrences it him glorify God in that name;" or, "on account of that is fully exhausted by the words, called, admonished, spoke, name," Penn. It is the most probable presumption, that be-Rom. 7:3, she shall be called an adulteress, according to ing the custom in all the sects of philosophy to call the school law, not according to a Divine suggestion, or impulse. "It after its founder-Platonists, Pythagoreans, Aristotelians; or was revealed," Luke 2:26, and it is once represented by the mere term spoke, Heb. 12:25, and by the Romans translated in their own currency to name, named—appellor, nominor. Χρημα, its root in Greek, is, negotium res, consilium, necessitas. They assume too much who say it necessarily involves the idea of a Divine oracle in this connection. It may, or it may not, is the most that can be philologically and truthfully said of it. It would, indeed, be assuming too much, to affirm that it here indicates a special Divine communication. It is quite as possible and as probable, that because the disciples of Jesus spoke so much of his being the Christ, that their enemies indignantly called them Christians. This becomes more plausible from an allusion to the sufferings of the early Christians on the part of Peter, 1st Ep. ch. 4:16, "If any is in better taste.

as the Christian sects, Lutherans, Calvinists, Arminians, etc., glorify their founders. So did the disciples either voluntarily, or by constraint, the author and the founder of the faith. "If any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God on that account."

- P Ευξαιμην αν τω Θεω, I could pray to God, according to my feelings. Av, with the optative, intensifies the idea, xas εν ολιγω και εν πολλω. $E \varphi \eta$ (v. 28) omitted by Ln., Tf., Gb. For πολλφ, Ln., Tf., Gb. substitute, as a better reading, uε-
- 4 After ανεστη, τε is properly inserted before ὁ βασιλευς, both the king and the governor, etc. Then the king rose up

CHAP. XXVII.

AND when it was determined, that we should sail into Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other prisoners unto one named Julius, a centurion of Augustus' band.

- 2 And entering into a ship of Adramyttium, we launched, meaning to sail by the coasts of Asia, one Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us.
- 3 And the next day we touched at Sidon. And Julius courteously entreated Paul, and gave him liberty to go unto his friends to refresh himself.
- 4 And when we had launched

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'ΩΣ δὲ ἐκρίθη τοῦ ἀποπλεῖν ήμας είς την Ιταλίαν, παρεδίδουν τόν τε Παῦλον καί τινας έτέρους δεσμώτας έκατοντάρχη, ονόματι Ίουλίω, σπείρης Σεβα-2 έπιβάντες δὲ πλοίω Aδραμυττην $\hat{\varphi}$, μ ϵ λλοντ ϵ ς πλ ϵ $\hat{\iota}$ ν τους κατά την 'Ασίαν τόπους, άνήχθημεν, όντος συν ήμιν Αριστάρχου Μακεδόνος Θεσσαλονικέως. 3 τη τε έτέρα κατήχθημεν είς Σιδώνα φιλανθρώπως τε ό 'Ιούλιος τῷ Παύλῳ χρησάμενος, έπέτρεψε προς φίλους πορευθέντα έπιμελείας τυχείν. ⁴ καfrom thence, we sailed under κείθεν ἀναχθέντες ὑπεπλεύσαμεν doosed from thence, we sailed

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And when it was determin- 1 ed that we should sail to Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other prisoners to a centurion of the Augustan acohort, named Julius. And entering 2 into a vessel of Adramyttium, bwe put to sea, being about to sail by the coasts of Asia, Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with as. And the next day we landed 3 at Sidon: and Julius courteously treated Paul, and gave him liberty to go to the ofriends, to partake of their kindness. And when we had 4

- time of it, that we (Tuke and company) should sail. The infinitive with rov is generally indicative of purpose. Tivas έτερους δεσμωτας, certain other prisoners; έτερος, other; tantamount to αλλος—σπειρης Σεβαστης, of the Augustan band or cohort-called Italian-generally composed of Italians.
- b Πλοιω Αδοαμνττηνω, a ship of Adramyttium, a sea-port of Mysia. Μελλοντι, by Gb., Tf. and Meyer, is preferred to μελλοντες-ambiguous according to De Wette. Πλειν τους κατα την Ασιαν τοπους; εις after πλειν seems to be wanting, and is in some texts supplied. By what authority we know
- · Κατηχθημεν εις Σιδωνα, first per. plur. aor. 1. ind. pass., of καταγω, deduco. We landed at Sidon, εκ κατα, deorsum, downwards, et ayo, duco; literally, we were borne down into Sidon, a Phœnician city. Our Saviour had visited the confines of Tyre and Sidon; reported Matt. 15:21. Tovs gilovs, not his friends, but the friends, i. e., the brethren. title, of gilos, of the brethren, occurs 3d John, v. 15, twice.

Φιλανθρωπως τε δ Ιουλιος τω Παυλω χρησαμενος. Χραω, commodato do, quasi e manu in manum; I benignantly place my hand in yours. Captain Julius treated benignantly, philanthropically; courteously, is not enough; most benignantly. Captain Julius was a true Roman gentleman. Ήμερας έπτα may be indefinite; about a week. Hack., ch. 20:6, "Means probably about a week.

d Αναχθεντες ύπεπλευσαμεν την Κυπρον-εναντιους. Αναγω, subduco, adduco, produco, reduco; avayeiv, proficere, ascendere.-Crit. Sacra. This is a word of special favor with Luke.

* Εκριθη του αποπλειτ ήμας. Not their departure, but the | and of these, out of Luke's writings, only three are found. So largely in the use of this word, he gives much latitude to its import, as well as a very free circulation. Our translators found themselves obliged to give no less a variety in their version of it. On examining it with much care, we find they have given to it the following variety of representatives: lead, lead up, bring, bring up, bring up again, take up, launch, launch forth, offer, loose, sail, set forth, depart. Here are thirteen distinct and distinguishable acts represented in the currency of one man by one and the same word; and these occurring in only two of the twenty-seven documents that constitute the Christian Scriptures!

> How much, then, depends upon the subject, and the context, and the discrimination of the interpreter or translator.

As further developing the progress of our language and of the literature, the taste and science of the age we live in, and more especially the marvelous change that has silently and progressively come upon our language and our taste, we shall give a few versions of the 4th and 5th verses of this 27th ch. "And whanne we remoueden fro thennes we vndirsaileden to Cipre, for that Wyndis werun contrarie. V. 5, And we seileden in the see of Silici, and Panfili: and camen to Listris that is Licie." Wiclif, A. D. 1380. V. 4, "And from thence lanched we, and sayled harde by Cypers because the wyndes were contrarye. V. 5, Then sayled we over the sea of Cilicia and Pamphilia and came to Myra a cite in Lyciia." Tyndale, A. D. 1534. V. 4, "And whan we had launched from thence, we sayled hard by Cypers, because the Wyndes were contrarye. V. 5, And whan we had sayled over the see of Cylicia In the Christian Scriptures araya is found twenty-four times; and Pamphilia we cam to Myra which is in Lycia." Cranmer,

Cyprus, because the winds were contrary.

- 5 And when we had sailed over the sea of Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra, a city of Lycia.
- 6 And there the centurion found a ship of Alexandria sailing into Italy; and he put us therein.
- 7 And when we had sailed slowly many days, and scarce were come over against Cnidus. the wind not suffering us, we sailed unto Crete, over against Salmone:
- 8 And hardly passing it, came unto a place which is called, The Fair Havens; nigh whereunto was the city of Lasea.

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την Κύπρον, διὰ τὸ τοὺς ἀνέμους είναι έναντίους. 5 τό τε πέλαγος τὸ κατὰ τὴν Κιλικίαν καὶ Παμφυλίαν διαπλεύσαντες, κατήλθομεν είς Μύρα της Λυκίας. 6 Κάκεῖ εύρων ο έκατόνταρχος πλοΐον Αλεξανδρίνον πλέον είς την 'Ιταλίαν, ἐνεβίβασεν ἡμᾶς εἰς αὐτό. 7 ἐν ἰκαναῖς δὲ ἡμέραις βραδυπλοοῦντες, καὶ μόλις γενόμενοι κατά την Κνίδον, μη προσεώντος ήμας του άνέμου, ύπεπλεύσαμεν την Κρήτην κατά Σαλμώνην 8 μόλις τε παραλεγόμενοι αὐτὴν, ἤλθομεν εἰς τόπον τινα καλούμενον Καλούς Διμένας, ὧ έγγυς ἦν πόλις Λασαία. was the city of Lasea.

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under Cyprus, because the winds were contrary. And 5 when we had sailed over the sea along Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra, a city of Lycia: and there the cen- 6 turion found a ship of Alexandria sailing into Italy, and he put us on board of cit. And when we had sailed 7 slowly many days, and with difficulty came off Cnidus, the wind not permitting us, we sailed sunder Crete, over against Salmone; and acoast- 8 ing along it with difficulty, came to a certain place called, The Fair Havens; near which

A. D. 1539. V. 4, "And from thence we launched, and sayled harde by Cyprus, because the Windes were contrary. V. 5, Then sayled over the sea by Cilicia and Pamphilia, and came to Myra, a citie in Lycia." Cranmer, A. D. 1557. V. 4, "And when we had loosed thence we sailed under Cypres, because the vvindes vvere contrarie. V. 5, And sailing the sea of Cilicia and Pamplia, vve came to Lystra vvhich is in Lycia." Rheims, A. D. 1582. V. 4, "And when we had lanched from thence we sailed vnder Cyprus, because the winds were contrary. V. 5. And when we had sailed over the sea of Cilicia and Pamphylia we came to Myra, a citie of Lysia." Com. Ver. л. р. 1611.

Such was the progress, and such were the changes in our English Sacred Scriptures during 231 years.

It will be observed, that the proper names changed less than the common nouns. The reason was, the originals from which they were borrowed were substantially the same, being Grecian and Roman. Again, it will be noted in many places, that a few instances only appear in these two verses of a change in the verbiage in our version, compared with the authorized of 1611. These were not made by any assembly recognized in Protestant Christendom, but were made by the unauthorized editors or publishers of them. This is the most convincing argument in vindication of the labors of the Bible Union to have a thorough revision. These selections were made without an election of any place.

· Literally, "upon it." Luke abounds in nautical expressions, and to do him justice, we ought to translate it, technically, "he put us on board of it.

- f Holis. The com. ver. supposes their having sailed so far for the difficulties they had to encounter, which is absolutely the import of $\pi o \lambda \iota s$. See again v. 8, which, in the com. ver., sustains this change.
- * Υπεπλευσαμεν την Κοητην κατα Σαλμωνην, we sailed under Crete against Salmone. Under Crete, not literally! but under its protection against the wind and the swollen waves dashing upon its wind-beaten side. On the leeward, or sheltered side of the island. "We sailed under Crete against Salmone." This promontory is yet recognized, "forming the eastern extremity of that island," and still retaining the original name. The allusions to this island and its wind-beaten side, and its present map, all correspond with the references here found.
- h Molis τε παραλεγομενοι αυτην. Παραλεγομαι, præterlego, præternavigo. Proprie significat, q. d. tego tittus vel oram littoris lego, I scan the shore of the sea. The Romans had in their nomenclature præternavigatio, a παραπλους-α sailing by, or along the coast. "Nautical authorities assure us that this place is the furthest point to which an ancient ship could have attained with northwestwardly winds, pecause the land turns suddenly to the north." Hack.

 $\dot{\phi}$ —Λασαια. ϕ is here governed as an adverb by εγγνω.

Crete, once covered with its hundred cities in which Christian churches abounded, spread over an area of 270 miles in length, and 50 in breadth, celebrated for its lying poets, according to Epimenides, is now called Candia, and famous only for what it once was.

- 9 Now, when much time was spent, and when sailing was now dangerous, because the fast was now already past, Paul admonished them,
- 10 And said unto them, Sirs, I perceive that this voyage will be with hurt and much damage, not only of the lading and ship, but also of our lives.
- 11 Nevertheless, the centurion believed the master and the owner of the ship more than those things which were spoken by Paul.
- 12 And because the haven was not commodious to winter in, the more part advised to depart thence also, if by any means

GREEK TEXT.

9 Ίκανοῦ δὲ χρόνου διαγενομένου, καὶ ὄντος ήδη ἐπισφαλοῦς τοῦ πλοὸς, διὰ τὸ καὶ τὴν νηστείαν ἢδη παρεληλυθέναι, παρήνει ὁ Παῦλος 10 λέγων αὐτοῖς, Ανδρες, θεωρώ ὅτι μετὰ ὕβρεως καὶ πολλης ζημίας οὐ μόνον τοῦ φόρτου καὶ τοῦ πλοίου, ἀλλὰ καὶ τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν μέλλειν ἔσεσθαι τὸν πλοῦν. 11 Ο δὲ ἐκατόνταρχος τῷ κυβερνήτη καὶ τῷ ναυκλήρω έπείθετο μᾶλλον η τοις ύπὸ τοῦ Παύλου λεγομένοις. ¹² ἀνευθέτου δὲ τοῦ λιμένος ὑπάρχοντος πρός παραχειμασίαν, οί πλείους έθεντο βουλην άναχθηναι κάκειθεν, είπως δύναιντο κατανthey might attain to Phenice, τήσαντες είς Φοίνικα παραχειμά- Phænix, to winter, which is a

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Now a long time having 9 elapsed, the navigation being now unsafe (because also the fast was already past), Paul exhorted them, saying, Sirs, I 10 perceive that the voyage will be with violence and much loss, not only of the cargo and ship, but also of our lives. Nevertheless the centurion 11 believed the thelmsman and the owner of the ship rather than those things spoken by Paul: and because the haven 12 was incommodious to winter in, the majority also advised to depart thence, if by any means they might attain to

- i Ίκανου δε χοονου διαγενομενου, a long time having now | transpired. Inavos, in a former note, we have shown to be of great latitude, reaching from what is merely sufficient or enough to that which is great, and worthy, and able, and all potent, sufficient for any given purpose, or as a means to any proposed end. Την νηστειαν is generally thought here to refer to the great fast observed on the celebrated day of the great national expiation—the tenth of Tisri—about the autumnal equinox. "Philo also says that 'no prudent man thought of puting to sea after this season of the year." Jahn's Archæol., § 357. The Greeks and Romans thought that sailing in the Mediterranean was not safe after the middle of October nor till after the middle of March. And this is not far from the figures on the Atlantic.
- 1 Θεωρεω. Literally, to see, with regard to physical nature, but to perceive, with regard to the intellectual, the moral, and the religious. We, however, metaphorically represent the perceptions of the inner man by the outward senses of the animal man. Hence we see, and hear, and feel internally, as well as externally.
- k Κυβεονητη-έκατονταρχος-ναυκληρφ. Here stand three officers, the shipmaster, the centurion, and the owner of the ship. The last was most interested; the shipmaster or pilot, most responsible, having persons, and property, and his own life at stake; the centurion least concerned while at sea, but most responsible when on land.

In this book we have two words in the original, representative of the same officer; έκατονταρχης, only found in this book of Acts; and ξκατονταρχος, used by both Matthew and

Luke—the former by Luke only. We can give no reason for it. We have in classic Greek the word aggos, a prince, from which the English word arch, a prefix to bishops and some political potentates; and we have in classic Greek αρχη of large currency as a constituent of the highest officials in all realms. We observe, once more, that agan, wherever found, indicates, in the words of the distinguished Edward Leigh, of the first half of the sixteenth century, non principium passivum; sed activum significat, a quo omnes creaturæ principium suum ducunt: quam interpretationem utriusque Testamenti pagina evincit. Amama, Antibarb. Bib. Lib. 3. Principium, John 1:1; height of place, or superiority of man in his office, 1 Cor. 15: 24. It is taken for the magistrate, Luke 12:11. Titus 3:1, αρχαι, qui mero imperio utuntur—those who have primary and plenary power under God.

But we must distinguish the nubsountys from its two associates. Here the helmsman, or the pilot, stands first, he is the master of the ship. He guides and commands its course, and, in this sense, he is not poetically nor rhetorically, but in fact the governor and director of the ship, and, as such. must be obeyed in his station by all aboard. To this effect says Kuinæl: "Sed κυβερνητης est gubernator navis, qui clavum tenet, et puppim dirigit." He holds the helm, and directs the ship.

1 Avsv9 errov, was incommodious, inconvenient. The question was, whether they should abide in that harbor or seek another, not whether they should proceed to Italy at that season. "Paul preferred that they should remain there, and the event justified his discernment." Hack. Οί πλειους, the

and there to winter; which is an haven of Crete, and lieth toward the south-west and north-west.

13 And when the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained their purpose, loosing thence, they sailed close by Crete.

14 But not long after there arose against it a tempestuous wind, called Euroclydon.

15 And when the ship was caught, and could not bear up into the wind, we let her drive.

16 And running unto a certain island which is called Clauda, we had much work to come by the boat:

17 Which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship; and fearing lest they should fall into the quicksands, strake sail, and so were driven.

18 And we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the next day they lightened the ship;

19 And the third day we cast out with our own hands the tackling of the ship.

20 And when neither sun nor

stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on us, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.

21 But after long abstinence, Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss.

22 And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall τανῦν παραινῶ ὑμᾶς εὐθυμεῖν cheer; for there shall be no

GREEK TEXT.

σαι, λιμένα της Κρήτης βλέποντα κατὰ λίβα καὶ κατὰ χῶρον. 13 ύποπνεύσαντος δὲ νότου, δόξαντες της προθέσεως κεκρατηκέναι, ἄραντες ἀσσον παρελέγουτο την Κρήτην. 14 μετ' ού πολύ δὲ ἔβαλε κατ αὐτῆς ἄνεμος τυφωνικός, ὁ καλούμενος Εύροκλύδων. 15 συναρπασθέντος δέ τοῦ πλοίου, καὶ μὴ δυναμένου άντοφθαλμείν τῷ ἀνέμφ, ἐπιδόντες έφερομεθα. 16 νησίον δέ τι ύποδραμόντες καλούμενον Κλαύδην, μόλις ἰσχύσαμεν περικρατεις γενέσθαι της σκάφης. 17 ην άραντες, βοηθείαις έχρῶντο, ὑποζωννύντες τὸ πλοίον φοβούμενοί τε μη είς την σύρτιν έκπέσωσι, χαλάσαντες τὸ σκεῦος, οὕτως έφέροντο, 18 Σφοδρώς δε χειμαζομένων ήμῶν, τη έξης έκβολην exceedingly tempest tossed, έποιοῦντο· 19 καὶ τῆ τρίτη αὐτόχειρες την σκευην του πλοίου $\epsilon \rho \rho i \psi \alpha \mu \epsilon \nu$ 20 $\mu \eta \tau \epsilon$ $\delta \epsilon \dot{\gamma} \lambda i \sigma v$, hands the tackling of the ship. μήτε ἄστρων ἐπιφαινόντων ἐπὶ And when neither sun nor 20 πλείονας ήμέρας, χειμῶνός τε οὐκ ὀλίγου ἐπικειμένου, λοιπὸν lay on us, at last all hope $\pi \epsilon \rho_i \eta \rho \epsilon i \tau o \pi \alpha \sigma \alpha \epsilon \lambda \pi i s \tau o \hat{v} \sigma \omega$ that we should be saved was (εσθαι ήμας. 21 πολλης δέ άσιτίας ύπαρχούσης, τότε σταθείς ό Παῦλος ἐν μέσω αὐτῶν εἶπεν, "Εδει μεν, $\vec{\omega}$ ἄνδρες, πειθαρχήσαντάς μοι μη ἀνάγεσθαι ἀπὸ της Κρήτης, κερδησαί τε την ύβριν ταύτην καὶ τὴν ζημίαν. 22 καὶ

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haven of Crete, facing southwest and northwest.

Now when a south-wind 13 blew moderately, thinking to have gained their purpose, having weighed anchor, they sailed close by Crete. But imme- 14 diately a mwhirlwind, called Euroclydon, struck against the ship. And when it was 15 borne away, and could not bear up against the wind, giving up, we let it drive. And 16 running under a certain small island, called Clauda, with difficulty we were able to secure the boat: which when 17 they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship; and fearing lest they should be stranded on the sand bank," they lowered the sail, and so were driven. Now we being 18 the next day they lightened the ship; and the third day 19 we cast out with our own stars had for many days appeared, and no small tempest utterly taken away.

But after much abstinence, 21 Paul stood in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, you should have hearkened to me, and not have loosed from Crete, and so have sustained this harm and loss. Yet now 22 I exhort you to be of good

majority. A consultation being had—the majority were for | winds so called blew, viz., the southwest and the northwest. proceeding to Phœnice, a port in Crete. Strabo mentions a harbor of this name on the south of Crete, and Ptolemy mentions a town called Phoenix, with a port which he names Phonicus. On the contrary, Stephanus Byzantinus calls the Northeastern, Euroclydon. town Phoenicus, which Hierocles again calls Phenice. Κατα' λιβα και κατα χωφον, looking towards, facing, rather than looking to. Lips and Corus, i. e., the points from which the

Hackett is very felicitous, as well as laborious in his exposition of the usual terms in this description.

m Tυφωνικοs, a whirlwind, called a Typhon, Euroaquilo-

" Την συρτιν, the syrtis; so called as drawn together by currents of the sea. Rob.

• Κεοδησαι. Literally, gained, sustained.

be no-loss of any man's life among you, but of the ship.

23 For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve,

24 Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Cesar: and lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.

25 Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.

26 Howbeit, we must be cast upon a certain island.

27 But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were νετο, διαφερομένων ήμων έν τώ

GREEK TEXT.

άποβολη γαρ ψυχης οὐδεμία έσται έξ ύμων, πλην του πλοίου. 23 παρέστη γάρ μοι τῆ νυκτὶ ταύτη ἄγγελος τοῦ Θεοῦ, οδ εἰμι, $\mathring{\omega}$ καὶ λατρεύω, 24 λέγων, $\mathring{M\eta}$ φοβοῦ Παῦλε, Καίσαρί σε δεῖ παραστήναι καὶ ίδοὺ κεχάρισταί σοι ὁ Θεὸς πάντας τοὺς πλέοντας μετὰ σοῦ. 25 Διὸ εὐθυμεῖτε ἄνδρες πιστεύω γὰρ τῷ Θεῷ ὅτι ούτως έσται καθ' δυ τρόπου λε- 26 ϵ is $\nu\hat{\eta}\sigma$ o ν $\delta\epsilon$ λάληταί μοι. τινα δεί ήμᾶς έκπεσείν. 27 Ως δὲ τεσσαρεσκαιδεκάτη νὺξ ἐγέREVISED VERSION.

loss of any man's life among you, except the ship.

For there stood by me this 23 night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I also pworship, saying, Fear not, Paul; 24 you must be brought before Cesar: and lo, God has given to you all those who sail with you. Wherefore, sirs, be of 25 good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me. But still, we must 26 be cast upon some island.

But when the fourteenth 27 night was come, as we were

P Δατρενω, I worship, I serve. In its twenty-one occurrences in the Christian Scriptures, it is, in com. yer., rendered four times worship, and seventeen times serve. "It is derived," says Erasmus, "of the particle $\lambda \alpha$, which is added (prefixed) for more vehemency, and the word roser, which signifies, to tremble, because it is the use of servants to be much afraid, and tremble at the presence of their masters." Suidas says, it is idem quod mercede servire, and sustains it out of profane writers, the same as to serve for wages. It is specially taken for sacrifice, which is a special part of Divine worship, according to both law and gospel, Rom. 12:7. "Θυσια and λατρεια are joined together." Crit. Sacra.

Δατρεία. In its five occurrences in N. T., four of which are found in Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews and Romans, it is represented by the word service, and God, in every case, is expressed, or implied.

Προσχυνεω is the word consecrated to worship in its highest and most sublime sense, when and where Jehovah Elohim is the object, or where persons of great dignity, as his ambassadors, are addressed. Its Roman representative is adoro. In the Septuagint it is, indeed, used promiscuously in reference to the homage paid to God and man. "Significat, proprie, capitis inclinati gestum, cum moto a fronte galero, caput submittimus. Erasmus. Adorare est manum ori admovere. It signifieth an outward reverence of bowing down the body to the ground, as well civil as religious homage. It properly signifieth, in falling down to worship, by which word Cornelius is represented as to his manner of worshiping Peter, Acts 10: 25." Crit. Sacra.

"The Hebrew word Shachah doth properly signify, to bow down, and, therefore, is used of such bowing down, as is not for adoration as Ps. 42:5, 6, and in divers other places. This Greek word also signifies to use some gesture of body in in end, indefinite in the means of escape.

worshiping, and sometimes to fall down." Dr. Fulk against Gregory Martin.

"It comes from xvwv, canis, a metaphor from the manner of spaniels, when they couch and crouch on the ground before their masters. Zanchius on the second commandment: or, according to others, from xvw, osculor-to kiss-because an ancient custom of adoring amongst the Persians was by kissing the hand, the mouth, or the knees, which was the most profound homage, or adoration. Vide Beza, Matt. 2:11; Rivet on Ps. 22: 29; and Grotius on the second commandment." Crit. Sacra.

9 Καισαρι σε δει παραστηναι. Δει, it is necessary, it bebehooveth.

Κεχαρισται—σου, God has given you all that sail with you. They should be all saved for the sake of Paul, because Paul had prayed for them. Such is the view of Calvin, Bengel, Olshausen, De Wette, Hackett, and others. Bengel here remarks: "Facilius multi mali cum paucis piis servantur, quam unus pius cum multis reis perit. Navi huic similis mundus." "Many wicked persons can be more easily saved with a few pious persons, than one pious person perish with many wicked persons." Or, more sententious, "Many wicked can be more easily saved with a few pious, than one pious perish with many wicked. The world is like to this

- r Πιστενω, I believe. This indicates his consciousness of an authority, of which he felt himself possessed, over the minds of his fellow-passengers.
- * Εις νησον—τινα, upon some island. Such indefiniteness is in good keeping with all the scenes before them. It is also in harmony with the tenor of all Divine responses, or communications to man, as to the future events of his life. Definite

driven up and down in Adria, about midnight the shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country;

28 And sounded, and found it twenty fathoms: and when they had gone a little further, they ounded again, and found it fifteen fathoms.

29 Then fearing lest they should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and wished for the day.

30 And as the shipmen were about to flee out of the ship, when they had let down the boat into the sea, under colour as though they would have cast anchors out of the foreship,

31 Paul said to the centurion, and to the soldiers, Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved.

32 Then the soldiers cut off $|\delta \dot{\nu} \nu \alpha \sigma \theta \epsilon|$

GREEK TEXT.

'Αδρία, κατὰ μέσον τῆς νυκτὸς ύπενόουν οί ναθται προσάγειν τινα αύτοις χώραν. 28 και βολίσαντες εθρον όργυιας είκοσι. βραχὺ δὲ διαστήσαντες, καὶ πάλιν βολίσαντες, εδρον όργυιας δεκαπέντε· 29 φοβούμενοί τε μήπως είς τραχείς τόπους έκπέσωσιν, έκ πρύμνης ρίψαντες άγκύρας τέσσαρας, ηὔχοντο ἡμέραν γενέσθαι. 30 τῶν δὲ ναυτῶν ζητούντων φυγείν έκ τοῦ πλοίου, καὶ χαλασάντων την σκάφην είς την θάλασσαν, προφάσει ώς έκ πρώρας μελλόντων άγκύρας έκτείνειν, 31 εἶπεν ὁ Παῦλος τῷ έκατοντάρχη καὶ τοῖς στρατιώταις, Έαν μη οδτοι μείνωσιν έν τῷ πλοίφ, ὑμεῖς σωθῆναι οὐ

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borne along in the Adriatic sea, about midnight the seamen thought that they drew near to some land; and sounded, and 28 found it "twenty fathoms; and when they had gone a little further, they sounded again, and found it fifteen fathoms. Then fearing lest we should 29 have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and longed for day.

And as the *seamen were 30 about to flee out of the ship, when they had let down the boat into the sea, under pretense of carrying anchors out of the foreship, Paul said to 31 the centurion, and to the *soldiers, Unless these abide in the ship, you can not be saved. 32 T'o $au\epsilon$ of $\sigma au
hoau au$ of the 32

- rut to sea—διαφερομενων ήμων εν τω Αδρια, we being borne through (the waves) in the Adriatic. "It has been said that the modern Malta lies too far south to be embraced in the sea so designated. The statement is erroneous. The Adriatic in our ancient maps was the name of the sea lying between Italy and Greece; but in its wider sense comprehended the Ionian Sea around Sicily; near which stood Melite." Hack.
- · Βραχυ δε διαστησαντες, a short interval of time, and a short distance of space. The first sounding was twenty fathoms, the second, fifteen. This rate of decrease, in the depth of the water, on the coasts of Malta, is yet pretty much the same, according to the statements of modern sea-captains. The firmness of the bottom as anchor-ground is yet celebrated. In St. Paul's Bay, the traditionary locality of this shipwreck, every circumstance stated here, as to the entire locality, is in good keeping with every allusion here, as shown in all the modern references to it.
 - * Εις τραχεις τοπους, upon rough = rocky places.

Strong and fearful apprehensions are inseparable from such a position. [We can confirm this fact from our own experience, having been shipwrecked on the coasts of Scotland in just such & bay, and on such a rocky bottom, that our anchors could not hold against the surges of the sea and the tossings of the tempest.] "By cutting away the anchors, (τας αγκυρας περιελοντες), loosing the bands of the rudders, (ανεντες τας ζευκτηφιας), and hoisting the artemon (επαφαντες indissoluble.

· Τεσσαρεσκαιδεκατη ννς, the fourteenth night—since they | τον αρτεμονα), all of which could be done simultaneously, the ship was immediately under command, and could be directed with precision to any part of the shore which offered a prospect of safety." Ηυχοντο ήμεραν γενεσθαι, they desired that day might come.

- ▼ Των δε ναυτων, κ. τ. λ. This movement, so heartless, confirms the idea that the seamen believed that the ship was so seriously damaged as to render uncertain its fortunes for the night. Χαλασαντων την σκαφην, having lowered down the boat—so recently hoisted on board—ayxugas exteinen, to carry, not cast out, anchors. But for Paul's attention and discrimination, they would most likely have accomplished their purpose, and jeopardized the lives of many.
- * Ειπεν στρατιωταις. Paul, apprehending that the officers of the ship were implicated in the plot, addressed himself to the centurion and the soldiers. They had charge of the prisoners, as the centurion had particular care of the apostic. Except these (the seamen), said he, abide in the ship, you cannot be saved. Soldiers could not manage the ship, and without the aid of mariners the ship could not be brought to land. This would indicate that the purpose or plan of abandoning the ship was very general, seamen and sailors alike implicated in it. Hence the position taken by Paul, that it was essential to their preservation that the seamen be prohibited from leaving the vessel. Thus means and ends are

the ropes of the boat, and let her fall off.

33 And while the day was coming on, Paul besought them all to take meat, saying, This day is the fourteenth day that ye have tarried, and continued fasting, having taken nothing.

34 Wherefore I pray you to take some meat; for this is for your health: for there shall not an hair fall from the head of any of you.

35 And when he had thus spoken, he took bread, and gave thanks to God in presence of them all; and when he had broken it, he began to eat.

36 Then were they all of good cheer, and they also took some meat.

37 And we were in all in the ship two hundred threescore and sixteen souls.

38 And when they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, and cast out the wheat into the sea.

GREEK TEXT.

ἀπέκοψαν τὰ σχοινία της σκάφης, καὶ εἴασαν αὐτὴν ἐκπεσεῖν. ³³ ἄχρι δε οδ έμελλεν ήμέρα γίνεσθαι, παρεκάλει ὁ Παῦλος ἄπαντας μεταλαβείν τροφής, λέγων, Τεσσαρεσκαιδεκάτην σήμερον ήμέραν προσδοκώντες, ἄσιτοι διατελείτε, μηδέν προσλαβόμενοι. παρακαλώ ύμας προσλαβείν τροφης τοῦτο γὰρ πρὸς της ὑμετέρας σωτηρίας ύπάρχει ούδενος γαρ ύμων θρίξ έκ της κεφαλής πεσείται. 35 Είπων δε ταύτα, καὶ λαβων ἄρτον, εὐχαρίστησε τώ Θεω ένωπιον πάντων, καὶ κλάσας ήρξατο έσθίειν. ³⁶ εὔθυμοι δὲ γενόμενοι πάντες, καὶ αὐτοὶ προσελάβοντο τροφης. 37 ημεν δε έν τῷ πλοίφ αἱ πᾶσαι ψυχαὶ, διακόσιαι έβδομηκονταέξ. 38 κορεσθέντες δὲ τροφης, ἐκούφιζον τὸ πλοίον, έκβαλλόμενοι τὸν σίτον ϵ is $\tau \dot{\eta} \nu \theta \dot{\alpha} \lambda \alpha \sigma \sigma \alpha \nu$. ³⁹ $O \tau \epsilon \delta \dot{\epsilon}$ sea. REVISED VERSION.

ropes of the boat, and let it fall off. And while the day 33 was coming on, Paul besought them all to take food, saying, *This is the fourteenth day that you have been waiting, and continue fasting, having taken nothing. Wherefore 34 I pray you to take some food, for this is "necessary for your preservation: an for there shall not a hair perish from the head of any of you. And when he 35 had thus spoken, having taken ba loaf, he gave thanks to God in presence of them all; and when he had broken it, he began to eat. Then were they 36 all of good cheer, and they also themselves took some food. Now all the souls dto- 37 gether in the ship were two hundred and seventy-six. And 38 when they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, and cast out the wheat into the

- In a growing the sawagns, the ropes of the boat, most probably those that fastened it to the vessel, not those by which they were lowering it. Notwithstanding the assurance which Paul cherished of the salvation of all on board, he is as special and particular in the direction and use of means as if he had no such assurance; indeed, as if the event desired were wholly contingent on the proper use of the proper means.
 - ² Σημερον ήμεραν, appositional.
- * Tovro γαρ προς της ύμετερας σωτηριας ὑπαρχει, for this is essential to your salvation. This is, in fact, not too strong: means are necessary to every proposed end. Without adequate means, no end can be attained, or obtained. Ύπαρχω, sum; τα ὑπεχοντα, quæ quis habet, bona, facultates; often, "de bonis et figurative de omnibus quæ in hac vita diligi solent." Grotius. Sum and ειμι are in their respective tongues absolute. Appropriate food is essential to every form of life, vegetable, animal, spiritual.
- ** Θοιξ εκ της κεφαλης πεσειται. Literally, for of not one of you a hair from the head shall perish; or, according to the textus receptus: for of not one of you a hair from the head shall fall. Πεσειται is repudiated as a false reading by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf., and for it απολειται is adopted.
- b Λαβων αρτον. Literally, having taken a bread, properly with us, a loaf. Bread is generic, a loaf is specific; "our daily bread" is not our daily loaf, nor our daily meat. Paul argues from one loaf, one body of Christ; not, as we think, from one bread, or one particle of a loaf. "Αρτον, bread. This word by Hebraistic usage often signifies food in the New Test. But κλασας, which follows, appears to exclude that sense here." And this, with equal propriety, applies to the monumental loaf of blessings which commemorates one Lord, one faith, one immersion, one God and Father of all, one body, one Spirit, one hope. These are the seven pillars of the Christian temple.
- ^c Eυθυμοι, cheerful—they all became cheerful. The consequence was, προσελαβοντο τροφης. Despair annihilates, protempore, appetite; but the return of hope creates, or invigorates it.
- d Al πασαι ψυχαι, all the souls together. Πας, in this adverbial sense, is seldom found but in connection with numerals, equal to το παν, together. Διαποσιαι έβδομηπονταιξ, two hundred and seventy-six. This, according to calculations made, was quite a large ship, measuring from eleven to twelve hundred tons.

39 And when it was day, they knew not the land: but they discovered a certain creek with a shore, into the which they were minded, if it were possible, to thrust in the ship.

40 And when they had taken up the anchors, they committed themselves unto the sea, and loosed the rudder-bands, and hoisted up the mainsail to the wind, and made toward shore.

41 And falling into a place where two seas met, they ran the ship aground; and the forepart stuck fast, and remained unmoveable, but the hinder part was broken with the violence of the waves.

42 And the soldiers' counsel was to kill the prisoners, lest any of them should swim out,

and escape.

43 But the centurion, willing to save Paul, kept them from their purpose, and commanded that they which could swim, should cast themselves first into the sea, and yet to land:

44 And the rest, some on boards, and some on broken pieces of the ship. And so it came to pass, that they escaped all safe

to land.

GREEK TEXT.

ήμέρα έγένετο, την γην ούκ άπεγίνωσκον· κόλπον δέ τινα κατενόουν έχοντα αίγιαλον, είς ον έβουλεύσαντο, εἰ δύναιντο, έξῶσαι τὸ πλοῖον. 40 καὶ τὰς ἀγκύρας περιελόντες είων είς την θάλασσαν, ἄμα ἀνέντες ζευκτηρίας των πηδαλίων καὶ έπάραντες τον άρτέμονα τῆ πνεούση κατείχον είς τον αίγιαλόν. ⁴¹ περιπεσόντες δὲ είς τόπον διθάλασσον, έπωκειλαν την ναθν καὶ ἡ μὲν πρώρα ἐρείσασα ἔμεινεν άσάλευτος, ή δὲ πρύμνα ἐλύετο ύπὸ τῆς βίας τῶν κυμάτων. 42 τῶν δὲ στρατιωτῶν βουλὴ ἐγένετο ίνα τους δεσμώτας ἀποκτείνωσι, μήτις έκκολυμβήσας διαφύγοι. ⁴³ ὁ δὲ ἐκατόνταρχος βουλόμενος διασώσαι τον Παθλον, έκώλυσεν αύτους του βουλήματος, εκέλευσέ τε τους δυναμένους κολυμβάν, άπορρίψαντας πρώτους έπὶ την γην έξιέναι, ⁴⁴ καὶ τοὺς λοιποὺς, ους μεν έπι σανίσιν, ους δε έπί τινων τῶν ἀπὸ τοῦ πλοίου. καὶ ούτως έγένετο πάντας διασωθήναι $\epsilon \pi i \tau \eta \nu \gamma \eta \nu$.

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And when it was day, they 39 erecognized not the land, but they perceived a certain inlet having a shore, into which they determined, were it possible, to thrust the ship. And 40 having fentirely cut away the anchors, they abandoned them to the sea, and at the same time having unfastened the rudder-bands, and hoisted up the foresail to the wind, they made toward shore. And 41 having fallen into a place where two currents met. they ran the ship aground; and the prow sticking fast, remained immovable, but the stern was broken by the violence of the waves. And 42 the soldiers' counsel was to kill the prisoners, lest any of them should swim out, and escape. But the captain, 43 willing to save Paul, kept them from their purpose, and commanded that they who could swim should cast themselves first into the sea, and get to land; and the rest, 44 some on gboards, and others on some of the things from the ship. And so they all escaped safe to land.

Κολπον-αιγιαλον, "they perceived a certain inlet-creekhaving a shore, on which they could run the ship with a hope of saving their lives. Luke uses here the correct hydrographical term." Hack.

Eis δν-πλοιον, into which they determined to thrust forth the ship. $E\xi\omega\vartheta s\omega$, found only in this book in N. Test., ch. 7:45; 27:39. Drove out is its representative ch. 7:45; here, to thrust forth.

The whole family, in N. T. use, is composed of $\varepsilon \xi \omega$, for as, foris; εξωθεν, extra, extrinsic, quod foris est; το εξωθεν, exterior pars, of frequent occurrence; and εξωθεω, expello, ch. 7:45; and here, to thrust forth in any direction. Εξω-

e Την γην—επεγινωσκον, they did not recognize the land | σαι, expellere, first aor. inf. act., to thrust forth, to drive ashore the ship. "To force the ship," Thomp.; "to drive the ship," Murd.; "to have thrust the ship," Dodd.

- f Και τας αγκυρας-θαλασσαν, "and having entirely cut away the anchors, they abandoned them to the sea." Our English translators followed the Vulgate in their inaccurate version of this clause. Άμα-πηδαλιων, at the same time having unfastened the bands of the rudders. Most of the ancient vessels were furnished with two rudders. Hack.
- g "Pieces from the ship." Hack. These of course were boards; and as boards are already specified, it seems to me that some things more movable must have been intended, of which there were then, as now, a variety on which a drowning man, or one apprehensive of being drowned, would gladly seize.

in view. Being shipwrecked on its coasts, probably at a considerable distance from the principal harbor.

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And when they were escaped, then they knew that the island was called Melita.

- 2 And the barbarous people shewed us no little kindness: for they kindled a fire, and received us every one, because of the present rain, and because of the cold.
- 3 And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand.
- 4 And when the barbarians saw the venomous beast hang on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet vengeance suffereth not to live.
- 5 And he shook off the beast into the fire, and felt no harm.
 - 6 Howbeit, they looked when

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ΚΑΙ διασωθέντες, τότε έπεγνωσαν ὅτι $M\epsilon$ λίτη ἡ νῆσος ² Οὶ δὲ βάρβαροι καλεῖται. παρείχον οὐ τὴν τυχοῦσαν Φιλανθρωπίαν ήμιν ἀνάψαντες γὰρ πυράν, προσελάβοντο πάντας ήμᾶς, διὰ τὸν ὑετὸν τὸν ἐφεστῶτα, καὶ διὰ τὸ ψύχος. 3 Συστρέψαντος δε του Παύλου φρυγάνων πληθος, καὶ ἐπιθέντος ἐπι τὴν πυρὰν, ἔχιδνα ἐκ τῆς θέρμης έξελθοῦσα καθήψε τῆς χειρὸς αὐτοῦ. 4 ὡς δὲ εἶδον οἱ βάρβαροι κρεμάμενον το θηρίον έκ της χειρος αύτου, έλεγον προς άλλήλους, Πάντως φονεύς έστιν δ άνθρωπος οδτος, δν διασωθέντα έκ της θαλάσσης ή δίκη ζην οὐκ είασεν. 5 Ο μεν οδν αποτινάξας τὸ θηρίον είς τὸ πῦρ, ἔπαθεν οὐδὲν κακόν. 6 οἱ δὲ προσεδό- fire, and suffered no harm; but 6

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And when we had fully es- 1 caped, then we *ascertained that the island was called Mel-And the barbarous peo- 2 ple showed us no bcommon philanthropy: for they kindled a fire, and brought us all to it, because of the present rain, and because of the cold.

And when Paul had gather- 3 ed a great number of 'dry sticks, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand. And when the barba- 4 rians saw the venomous creature thanging on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he has escaped the sea, yet justice permits not to live. And he 5 shook off the creature into the

For επεγνωσαν, Ln., Tf. substitute επεγνωμεν, and with | ized or uncivilized. We, nowadays, enhance its import, and much internal evidence: ἡμιν, in the second verse, and the other two sections of this chapter, each commencing with a first person plural, are all sufficient to justify such a reading. Επιγνωμεν, v. 1; ανηχθημεν, v. 11; and ηλθομεν, v. 16.

Λιασωθέντες is more than σωθέντες. In Matt. 14: 36, it is very happily rendered, made perfectly whole, and here it is, safely escaped, or fully escaped. "And when we had fully escaped." Dia auget significationem, sicut apud Latinos, per. This preposition increases the signification of words. Leigh, Crit. Sacra.

b Ου την τυχουσαν φιλανθρωπιαν, no common philanthropy. Τυχουσαν, from τυγχανω. Luke and Paul are the only inspired writers that use this word. They were educated men, and are the two most copious writers of the New Testament, having written more than the half of it. In their acceptation and use of this word, they have made it tantamount to the following words, com. ver., "to be," "to obtain," "common," "seeing that," to "meet with," "no little," "may be," "may chance." Obtain is most frequently its representative. "No common kindness," "many kindnesses," Syriae Version. Even amongst miracles, some were extraordinary. Οί δε βαρβαροι παρειχον. Bαρβαρος, used only by Luke and Paul in the Christian Scriptures. It it well represented by foreigner, whether civil- slaughter, ch. 9:1.

make it tantamount to savage.

- · Συστρεψαντος, from συστρεφω, converto, convolvo in fas cem—now Paul having gathered, or "when Paul had gathered." "Now Paul having collected" πληθος, a great number of dry sticks. $E_{\chi\iota}\delta\nu\alpha$, a viper. The Greeks applied this term to that reptile in distinction from other serpents, as is evident from Aristotle, lib. I. c. 6, αλλ' οί μεν αλλοι ωοτοκουσιν οφεις, ή δ' εχιδνα μονον ζωοτοκει, vipers are the only viviparous serpents in Europe. Hack. At present unknown in Malta. Ex της θερμης, from the heat. "It seems to have been cast into the fire. Επιθεντος επι την πυραν. This latter supposition is required by the second sense of ex the Deomns, and is entirely consistent with the first." Hack. Απο της θερμης is preferred by Grotius, Pricæus, Bengelius, and Griesbach. Still ano rather appears as a gloss, ex more generally is preferred, because more frequently indicative than απο of a cause. Εκ της πληγης, propter plagam, Apoc. 16:21. Εκ σμικοου Loyov, ob levem causum, Soph., Œd. Col. 612, quoted by Kuin.,
- d Havros. Surely, by all means, no doubt, in no wise, are its common currency. Povevs is always represented, com. ver., by murderer, from φονευω, to kill, whence φονος, murder,

he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god.

- 7 In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously.
- 8 And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever, and of a bloody-flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him.
- 9 So when this was done, others also which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed:
- 10 Who also honoured us with many honours; and when we departed, they laded us with such things as were necessary.

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κων αὐτον μέλλειν πίμπρασθαι η καταπίπτειν άφνω νεκρόν έπὶ πολύ δε αύτων προσδοκώντων, καὶ θεωρούντων μηδεν άτοπον είς αὐτὸν γινόμενον, μεταβαλλόμενοι έλεγον θεον αύτον είναι. F'Eν δὲ τοῖς περὶ τὸν τόπον έκεινον ὑπῆρχε χωρία τῷ πρώτῷ της νήσου, ονόματι Ποπλίω, δς άναδεξάμενος ήμας τρείς ήμέρας φιλοφρόνως έξένισεν. δὲ τὸν πατέρα τοῦ Ποπλίου πυρετοίς καὶ δυσεντερία συνεχόμενον κατακείσθαι προς ον ο Παῦλος εἰσελθὼν, καὶ προσευξάμενος, ἐπιθεὶς τὰς χεῖρας αὐτῷ, ἰάσατο αὐτόν. ⁹ τούτου οὖν γενομένου, καὶ οἱ λοιποὶ οἱ ἔχοντες ἀσθενείας έν τῆ νήσφ, προσήρχοντο καὶ έθεραπεύοντο· 10 οὶ καὶ πολλαίς τιμαίς ἐτίμησαν ήμας, καὶ ἀναγομένοις ἐπέθεντο τὰ πρὸς τὴν χρείαν.

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they expected that he would be 'inflamed, or that he would suddenly fall down dead. But after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god. In the same parts 7 were possessions of the 'chief of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously. And the father 8 of Publius lay sick of a fever, and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul went, and prayed, and laid his hands upon him, and healed him. when this was done, others 9 also who had diseases in the island, came, and were healed; who also honored us with 10 many honors; and when we departed, they laded us with such things as were necessary.

others have alleged. In harmony with our usage, we prefer, the chief of the island.

[•] Προσεδοκων-προσδοκαω. Look for, wait for, expect, tarry for, com. ver., are its representatives; of these, expect is most in keeping with our popular idiom. That he would, according to Webster, is preferable to should. It frequently denotes simply an event under a condition, or supposition,that he would be inflamed. "That he would suddenly fall down dead," Hack.; "that he would have swollen, or fallen down dead," Boothr., Penn, Wes.; "that he would swell, or fall down dead," Thompson; "would suddenly swell, and fall down on the ground," Murdock. "Illi tamen expectabant, ut vel intumesceret, vel mortuus subito concederet." Kuin.

f T_{ω} $\pi_{\rho\omega\tau\omega}$ $\tau_{\eta s}$ $\nu_{\eta\sigma\sigma\nu}$, the chief, or chief of the island. "In illo autem tractu prædia erant Publio, insulæ primario," Kuin. "And there were lands in that quarter, belonging to a man named Publius, who was the chief man of the island," Murd. "Now in the neighborhood of that place lay the estate of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius," Thomp., Penn; "of a chief man of the island," Wes. This is not true to the original. It is τω πρωτω, the chief. He was the Roman governor, as Paley, Lardner, Tholuck, and mand of Christ (Matt. 10:8)." Hack.

⁵ Πυρετοις και δυσεντερια, with fevers and a dysentery. "A fever and a dysentery," Thomp., Penn; "a fever and a bloody flux," Wes., Murd., Wakef., Dodd. We lack authority and sometimes reason, for making that which is plural, singular, as in the case before us. The plural has been supposed to describe the fever with reference to its recurrent attacks, or paroxysms. This is one of those expressions in Luke's style that have been supposed to indicate his professional training as a physician. "To whom Paul entered in" is not so apposite or truthful as, to whom Paul went.

h Πολλαις τιμαις ετιμησαν ήμας. We concur with Prof. Hackett, and others, that τιμαις ought not to be rendered rewards, as though the apostle received any remuneration for the exercise of his gift of healing the afflicted Publius, or for any cure performed by his spiritual gifts. The acquaintances formed by them during their abode in Melita, were exceedingly courteous: for whatever favors were received by them on their departure, were not received as a reward for their services-" for that would have been at variance with the com-

11 And after three months we departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux.

12 And landing at Syracuse, we tarried there three days.

13 And from thence we fetched a compass, and came to Rhegium: and after one day the south wind blew, and we came the next day to Puteoli:

14 Where we found brethren,

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11 Μετά δε τρείς μηνας άνήχθημεν έν πλοίφ παρακεχειμακότι έν τῆ νήσω, 'Αλεξανδρίνω, παρασήμω. arDeltaιοσκούροις \cdot 12 καὶ καταχθέντες είς Συρακούσας, έπεμείναμεν ήμέρας τρείς· 13 οθεν περιελθόντες κατηντήσαμεν είς ' Ρήγιον, καὶ μετὰ μίαν ἡμέραν έπιγενομένου νότου δευτεραῖοι ήλθομεν είς Ποτιόλους. εύροντες άδελφους, παρεκλήθημεν and were desired to tarry with $\dot{\epsilon} n'$ $\dot{\alpha} \dot{\nu} \tau \hat{o} \hat{i} s \dot{\epsilon} \pi \iota \mu \hat{\epsilon} \hat{\nu} \alpha i \dot{\nu} \mu \dot{\epsilon} \rho \alpha s \dot{\epsilon} \pi \tau \dot{\alpha}$. with them seven days, and

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And after three months we 11 departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux. And landing 12 at Syracuse, we tarried there three days. And thence we 13 coasted round, and came to Rhegium: and after one day, the south wind having risen, we came the next day to Puteoli: where we found breth- 14 ren, and were desired to tarry

- months, μετα-τρεις μηνας. These three months are the time that they remained on the island, which were, probably, the months of November, December, and January; the season admitted of their putting to sea earlier than usual. Εν πλοιω παρακεχειμακοτι, "in a ship that had wintered there." Luke does not say why this vessel had wintered there. It is a circumstance which shows the consistency of the narrative. The storm which had occasioned the wreck of Paul's vessel, had delayed this one so long that it was necessary, on reaching Melita, to suspend the voyage until spring.
- ¹ Παρασημώ Διοσκουροις, with the sign, or distinguished by the sign of Castor and Pollux. This sign was usually carved or painted on the prow. These were regarded as the tutelar genii, or divinities, the guardians, or gods of seamen. "The figure that was used for Castor and Pollux," as Dr. Lightfoot says, "was that of two young men on horseback, with each of them holding a javelin in his hand." According to others, the sign of Castor and Pollux was that of a double cross. With others, two fictitious deities, the sons of Jupiter by Leda; with others, a sign in the zodiac called the twins.
- k Περιελθοντες, having come round or about. The sense of the preposition it is impossible to determine with accuracy. One supposition is, that it refers to their frequent alteration of the ship's course; in other words, to their tacking, because the wind was unfavorable. Another is, that they were compelled by that cause to follow closely the sinuosities of the coast, to proceed circuitously. De Wette says, which is much less probable, that they may have gone around Sicily, or the southern extremity of Italy. Εις Ρηγιον, unto Rhegium, now Regio, which was an Italian sea-port opposite to the northeastern point of Sicily. Here they remained a day, when the wind, which had been adverse since their leaving Syracuse, became fair, and they resumed the voyage. Επιγενομενου νοrov, a south-wind having arisen upon them. Compare the compound participle in v. 2, and in vv. 27, 20. The dative of This was their spiritual banquet.

1 "At the end of three months," equivalent to, after three | the person is often expressed, after επι, with this force. See Herodotus 8:13, δευτεραίοι, on the second day. Com. ver. has, John 11:39, for he hath been dead four days-reraptaios. "This adverbial use of the ordinals is classical." Kuin., § 264. 3. 6. Eis Hotiolovs, "Puteoli, now Puzzeoli, was eight miles northwest from Neapolis, the modern Naples. It derived its name from putei, being famous for the baths which abounded there." Hack.

> 1 Επ' αυτοις. Επι is often rendered into Latin by ad. In Rom. 2:2 it is rendered against. "Against those." Vat... Great English Bible. By Tremellius, and Beza, "adversus eos." It is so in Wiclif, Tyndale, Cranmer, Geneva, Rheims; indeed, in all the versions quoted in this Revision, with the exception of Wakefield and Murdock; in the former by upon, and in the latter by, in regard to. In the Apocal. 7:15 it is translated, in one clause of a verse, by upon, and among-"he that sitteth $(\varepsilon\pi\iota)$ upon the throne shall dwell $(\varepsilon\pi\iota)$ among them." It is argued in justification of the latter that in the Vulgate it is rendered super illos; but it is again argued that the sense is, cum illis-with them, and this is sustained, because the Hebrew של is used for של, cum-with.

> In the com. ver. ent is represented by the following wordsat, among, about, against, above, because, beside, by, before, in, into, for the space of, to, upon, on, of, over, unto, toward, with, through, touching, under. As a connective, like one of the natives of our forests and climate, it seems to assume the color of every tree on which it is found; still it has a specific nature of its own, but it has an indefinite power of assimilation, and merely connects harmoniously its associates with one another, according to their specific nature, or gravity. Here it is apposite to render it, with them, or among them.

> They stayed with the brethren one week. The weekly feast of the primitive church was a great attraction. We learn it from ch. 20:7. It was not on a first day of a week, but, as Doddridge renders it, on the first day of the week, when the disciples as usual met together to break a loaf.

went toward Rome.

15 And from thence, when the brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appliforum, and The Three Taverns; whom when Paul saw, he thanked God, and took courage.

16 And when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard: but Paul was suffered to dwell by himself, with a soldier that kept him.

17 And it came to pass, that after three days, Paul called the chief of the Jews together. And when they were come together, he said unto them, Men and brethren, though I have committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers, yet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans:

18 Who when they had examined me, would have let me go, because there was no cause of death in me.

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them seven days: and so we $\kappa \alpha i \circ \tilde{\nu} \tau \omega s \epsilon i s \tau \eta \nu \dot{P} \omega \mu \eta \nu \dot{\eta} \lambda \theta o$ μεν. ¹⁵ κάκεῖθεν οι άδελφοὶ άκούσαντες τὰ περὶ ἡμῶν, έξηλθον είς ἀπάντησιν ήμιν ἄχρις Αππίου Φόρου καὶ Τριῶν Ταβερνών ους ιδών ο Παθλος, ευχαριστήσας τω Θεώ, έλαβε

 16 $^{\prime\prime}OTE$ $\delta \grave{\epsilon}$ $\mathring{\eta} \lambda heta o\mu \epsilon
u$ $\epsilon \grave{l}s$ $^{\prime}P\acute{\omega}$ μην, ὁ έκατόνταρχος παρέδωκε τους δεσμίους τῷ στρατοπεδάρχη. τῷ δὲ Παύλφ ἐπετράπη μένειν καθ' έαυτον, σύν τῷ φυλάσσοντι αύτον στρατιώτη. 17 Εγένετο δε μετὰ ἡμέρας τρεῖς συγκαλέσασθαι τὸν Παῦλον τοὺς ὄντας τῶν 'Ιουδαίων πρώτους· συνελθόντων δε αὐτῶν, ἔλεγε πρὸς αὐτοὺς, "Ανδρες άδελφοὶ, έγω οὐδὲν έναντίον ποιήσας τῷ λαῷ ἢ τοῖς έθεσι τοις πατρώοις, δεσμιος έξ 'Ιεροσολύμων παρεδόθην είς τὰς χείρας των 'Ρωμαίων' 18 οίτινες άνακρίναντές με έβούλοντο άπολῦσαι, διὰ τὸ μηδεμίαν αἰτίαν θανάτου ὑπάρχειν ἐν ἐμοί. 19 ἀν-19 But when the Jews spake τιλεγόντων δὲ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, the Jews spoke against it, I

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then we went towards Rome. And from thence, when the 15 brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appli Forum, and the Three Taverns; whom when Paul saw, he thanked God, and took courage. And when we 16 came to Rome, the mcenturion delivered the prisoners to the commander of the camp, but it was permitted to Paul to dwell by himself, with a soldier who guarded him. And 17 after three days, "he called the chief of the Jews together, and when they were come together, he said to them, Brethren, though I have committed nothing against our people, or the customs of our fathers, yet I was delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans; who when they had examined 18 me, would have "released me, because there was no cause of death in me. But when 19

In the times of the Roman emperors this custom obtained, that the accused sent from the provinces to Rome, to Cæsar, were delivered up in custody to the prætorian prefect; and that they might be safely kept, and have more liberty, they were bound by a longer chain than that worn upon their journey. Of these there were on hand at that time an unusually large number. By the letters of Festus, and the intercessions of Julius, it came to pass that Paul's liberties were much enlarged, and, though a prisoner, he enjoyed a comparative freedom. He was permitted to have a lodging for himself, with the single soldier that guarded him. "Paulo autem per-

m O έκατονταρχος—στρατοπεδαρχη, the centurion delivered | missum est seorsim manere cum milite qui eum custodiret." Kuin., vol. 3. pp. 381, 382. For the received reading in our text (els Ρωμην, δ έκατονταρχος παρεδωκε τους δεσμιους τφ στρατοπεδαρχη τω δε Παυλω επετραπη), Ln. probably, and possibly Gb., would substitute, εἰς Ῥωμην, επετραπη τω Παυλφ.

> ⁿ For τον Παυλον substitute αυτον, Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf. Tovs πρωτους Ιουδαιων, the chief or principal men of the Jews, of course, of the unbelieving Jews. When assembled, he said to them, Brethren, not, "men and brethren." Committed, here, is equal to, I have perpetrated, I have committed no trespass.

> nn Εβουλουτο απολυσαι. Βουλομαι is represented, com. ver., by mind, will, intend, dispose; anolvous, to release, set free; released me, or, set me at liberty. They would have released

the prisoners to the commander of the camp, i. e., the prætorian camp, where the emperor's guard was quartered. See Philip. 1:13. The centurion Julius, when he had brought the prisoners to Rome, delivered them up bound to the prætorian prefect.

against it, I was constrained to appeal unto Cesar; not that I had aught to accuse my nation

20 For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see you, and to speak with you: because that for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.

21 And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judea concerning thee, neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee.

22 But we desire to hear of thee, what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where it is spoken against.

23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging: ήκου προς αυτου είς τηυ ξευίαυ

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ηναγκάσθην έπικαλέσασθαι Καίσαρα, ούχ ώς τοῦ ἔθνους μου 20 $\delta\iota\grave{\alpha}$ έχων τι κατηγορήσαι. ταύτην οὖν τὴν αἰτίαν παρεκάλεσα ύμᾶς ἰδεῖν καὶ προσλαλῆσαι ένεκεν γὰρ τῆς ἐλπίδος τοῦ 'Ισραήλ την άλυσιν ταύτην περίκειμαι. ²¹ Οἱ δὲ πρὸς αὐτὸν ϵ ἶπον, Hμ ϵ ῖς οὔτ ϵ γράμματα περὶ σοῦ ἐδεξάμεθα ἀπὸ τῆς 'Ιουδαίας, οὔτε παραγενόμενός τις των άδελφων άπήγγειλεν η έλάλησέ τι περὶ σοῦ πονηρόν. ²² άξιοῦμεν δὲ παρὰ σοῦ ἀκοῦσαι α φρονείς περί μέν γαρ της αίρέσεως ταύτης γνωστόν έστιν ημίν ὅτι παναταχοῦ ἀντιλέγεται. 23 Ταξάμενοι δε αὐτῷ ἡμέραν,

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was compelled to appeal to Cesar; not that I had any thing to charge against my nation. On this account, there- 20 fore, I have invited you, that I might see you, and speak with you: Pfor on account of the hope of Israel I am compassed with this chain.

And they said to him, We 21 neither received letters from Judea concerning you, nor has any one of the brethren who came, reported or said any harm of you; but we think it 22 proper to hear from you, what you think: for as it qrespects this sect, we know that it is every where spoken against.

And when they had appoint- 23 ed him a day, there came many to him into his rlodging; to

compelled to appeal. This version of emiraleomai is given to this word in every case (six times) in reference to Paul. To surname, and to call upon, are more frequently its representatives, com. ver.

Αναγκαζω-cogo-always, com. ver., constrain, compel. The latter generally denotes extrinsic violence; the former external and internal motives, or reasons of action.

P Δια ταυτην ουν την αιτιαν, on this account; παρακαλεσα, I have besought you, invited you, desired you, exhorted you. Of these, invited seems most apposite from our stand-point. Had it been simply called, εκαλεσα would have sufficed. In com. ver. it is represented by comforted, besought, desired, prayed, exhorted, intreated.

Ένεκεν-Ισραηλ, on account of the hope of Israel; την άλνσιν ταυτην περικειμαι, I am compassed by this chain. Although an arm only was bound, his liberty was encompassed, was taken away.

There is something exceedingly kind and courteous in this address to his alienated Jewish brethren. In his exordium he disabuses their minds as to his position towards them. They had placed him in the hands of the Romans. He was compelled to appeal to Cæsar, not to prefer charges against them, but in self-defense; not to inculpate them, but to exculpate himself. He touchingly alludes to the hope of Israel, and assures the court and the audience that for this hope's sake he was a prisoner in chains.

 Ηναγκασθεν επικαλεσασθαι, I was necessitated, obliged, | Test.; com. ver., sect five times, and heresy four times, represent it. There appears no justifiable reason for this distinction. "Originally αίρεσις was a word of middle signification, and generally signified any opinion, good or bad. The Christians constituted a sect amongst the Jews. It is said to have been derived from secando, while the Greeks say it is derived from eligendo." Leigh, Crit. Sacra. Every schism is a heresy, whether good or bad, so far as the term alosois is concerned.

> r Εις την ξενιαν. The term implies that it was a place in which he was entertained as a guest. (Hesych.) Compare Philemon, v. 22. "Those critics are right who distinguish it from the 'hired house,' mentioned v. 30." Hack., Penn, Boothr., Wes. The apostle was, at first, as it would be natural, received into some one of the Christian families; but, after a tune, for the sake, probably of greater convenience, or independence, he removed to apartments which would be more entirely subject to his own control. He had now Theloves, more persons than before to hear him. Ois exertitero, from extiθημι, to expound—once rendered, I cast out, to set forth, found only in this book; once, to cast out; thrice, to ex-

Διαμαρτυρομένος, used only by Paul and Luke, indicates testifying or witnessing - exhibiting the facts and documents, and expounding and applying them. Luke employs it ten times, and Paul five times. It is eminently indicative of the apostolic method of exhibiting the claims of 4 Περι-της αίρεσεως. Αίρεσες is found nine times in N. Jesus. His documents were the writings of Moses and the

to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening.

24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.

24 And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers,

26 Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive.

27 For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

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πλείονες οις έξετίθετο διαμαρτυρόμενος την βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεού, πείθων τε αὐτούς τὰ περὶ τοῦ Ἰησοῦ, ἀπό τε τοῦ νόμου Μωσέως καὶ τῆν προφητῶν, ἀπὸ πρωί έως έσπέρας. 24 καὶ οι μέν έπείθοντο τοις λεγομένοις, οι δέ ηπίστουν. 25 ἀσύμφωνοι δὲ ὄντες προς άλλήλους άπελύοντο, εἰπόντος τοῦ Παύλου ρημα εν, Θτι καλώς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ Αγιον έλάλησε διὰ 'Ησαΐου τοῦ προφήτου πρὸς τοὺς πατέρας ἡμῶν, 26 λέγον, Πορεύθητι προς τον λαον τουτον καὶ εἰπε, 'Ακοή άκούσετε, καὶ ού μη συνητε καὶ βλέποντες βλέψετε, καὶ οὐ μὴ ²⁷ ἐπαχύνθη γὰρ ἡ καρδία τοῦ λαοῦ τούτου, καὶ τοῖς ώσὶ βαρέως ήκουσαν, καὶ τοὺς όφθαλμούς αύτων έκάμμυσαν μήποτε ἴδωσι τοῖς ὀφθαλμοῖς, καὶ τοῖς ώσὶν ἀκούσωσι, καὶ τῆ καρδία συνώσι, καὶ έπιστρέψωσι, καὶ ἰάσωμαι αὐτούς. ²⁸ Γνωστὸν should heal them.

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whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them of the things concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning to evening. And some 24 believed the things that were spoken, and others believed them not. So not agreeing 25 among themselves, they departed, Paul having said one word, Well spoke the Holy Spirit by Isaiah the prophet to our fathers, saying, Go to 26 this people, and say, Hearing you will hear, and will not understand; and seeing you will see, and not perceive; for the heart of this 27 people is become gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and they have closed their eyes, lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I

prophets. His labors were only from morning to evening. I to express the infinitive absolute with a finite verb in Hebrew Thus he taught in his own lodging, in the capitol of the world, testifying both to the Jews and to the Greeks repentance Godward, and faith Christward. Some, indeed, believed, but many believed not the things that were spoken.

• Ot $\mu e \nu$, and of $\delta \varepsilon$, indicate two parties, but which constituted the majority we are not informed. The proportion is a matter of inference.

· Ασυμφωνοι δε οντες προς αλληλους, being discordant with one another; more in our modern style, not agreeing among themselves. Of course, there must have been some controversy. Paul listened to them, doubtless, with an attentive ear. He comprehended the drift and point of all they said. He, therefore, speaks his last words advisedly.

The audience, we presume, were for the most part Jews. This we gather from his last words, rather his δημα έν, one word, a sentence, indeed, in one word. It was spoken by the Holy Spirit through Isaiah the prophet, to our fathers, προς τους πατερας ήμων.

Αποη απουσετε, και ου μη συνητε και βλεποντες βλεψετε, και ου μη ιδητε, a combination of a verb and noun as necessary certainty than the future indicative." Hack.

Gesenius, Heb. Gram., § 128. 3. "The frequency of this construction in the N. Test. is undoubtedly Hebraistic." Hack. "Hearing you will hear and will not understand; and seeing you will see, and will not comprehend."

Matt. 13: 14, 15, gives the reason of this anon anovosts, και ου μη συνητε. και βλεποντες βλεψετε, και ου μη ιδητε.

"Αχοη αχουσετε pro simplici αχουσετε ex hebraismo ut βλεποντες βλεψετε pro βλεψετε." v. Vorstius, de Hebraism, p. 611. "Audietis nec tamen intelligetis, videbebitis, nec tamen perspicietis. Cur nihil intellecturi sint hujus nec rationem hic versus continet—επαχυνθη γαο, κ. τ. λ., stupida enim facta est mens hujus populi. ומשמך ut השמר notat pingue, obesum, reddere, et proprie ad corpus pertinet, sed deinde transfertur ad mentem ut השבן לב, i. e. ubi paulo post legitur רברן συνιεναι intelligere atque usurpatur ut h. l. de iis, que vim eorum qua vident et audiunt quamvis clare sunt atque perspicua, tamen non intelligunt et percipiunt, saltem non recte perspiciunt." Kuinœl, Matt. 13: 15-17.

" Ου μη συνητε "may express the future result with more

28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it.

29 And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.

20 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in

unto him,

31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

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οθν έστω υμίν, ὅτι τοῖς ἔθνεσιν άπεστάλη τὸ σωτήριον τοῦ Θεοῦ, 29 $K\alpha i$ αύτοὶ καὶ άκούσονται. ταῦτα αὐτοῦ εἰπόντος, ἀπῆλθον οί Ἰουδαίοι, πολλην ἔχοντες έν έαυτοις συζήτησιν.

 30 "EMEINE $\delta \epsilon$ δ $\Pi \alpha \hat{v} \lambda \alpha \hat{s}$ διετίαν όλην έν ιδίω μισθώματι, καὶ ἀπεδέχετο πάντας τοὺς εἰσπορευομένους πρὸς αὐτὸν, ³¹ κηρύσσων τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ διδάσκων τὰ περὶ τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, μετὰ πάσης παρρησίας ακωλύτως.

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known, therefore, to you, that the salvation of God is sent to the Gentiles, and they will hear it. And when he 29 had said these things, the Jews departed, and had much reasoning among themselves.

And Paul wremained in his 30 own hired house during two whole years, and gladly received all who came to him, *announcing the kingdom of 31 God, and teaching the things concerning the Lord Jesus Christ, with all boldness, and

without molestation.

* Και ακουσονται, and they also will hear it.

▼ Eμεινε, remained. This, as well observed by sundry critics, indicates that Paul's condition and circumstances, here detailed, had passed away before this book was written; a fact of some importance to the curious inquirers on the subject of the chronology of this book. These two whole years living in his own hired house gave a good opportunity to the disciples of Christ to contribute to his necessities. We know that he was not forgotten by the Philippians.

Again it is a monumental proof of Paul's hospitality. He was living in a rented house, but he kept an open house for all the friends of his Master. We thank Luke for the following memento: απεδεχετο παντας τους εισπορευομένους προς aurov. He received all that came to his house, or that came to him; for so intimates αποδεχομαι, all that came to him he received.

We have a perspicuous and most definite statement of the in the narrative.

two distinct departments of the Evangelical ministry in the last period of this history—the αηρυσσων την βασιλειαν του Ocov, the proclamation, the annunciation, or the preaching of the kingdom of God; and the διδασκων τα περι του Κυριου Ingov Xolorov, the teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ; and this with the manner of it, μετα πασης παδώησιας ακολυτωςnemine prohibente. This he might not have enjoyed in Jerusalem, no person hindering or inhibiting him. We are informed that he did this with all boldness; or, with all confidence he announced the reign of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We should say that the 29th verse is held doubtful by Ln., Tf., but is by Gb. regarded as of almost equal authority with the other portions of the book. The name of Paul, in v. 30, is omitted by Gb., Sch., Ln., Tf., but for this he is all suffi cient. And he remained, is quite equal to, Paul remained: he being the subject of the section, and the last person named

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I.—The former narrative, Theophilus, I composed, of all that Jesus began both to do and 2 to teach, even to the day, on which he was taken up, after that he, through the Holy Spirit had given commandment to the Apostles whom

3 he had chosen; to whom also he showed himself alive, after his suffering, in many convincing proofs, during forty days appearing to them, and speaking of the things pertaining

4 to the Kingdom of God; and having convened them together, he commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem; but to await the gift promised them by the Father, which, says he,

5 you have heard from me: for John indeed immersed in water, but you shall be immersed in the Holy Spirit, not many days hence.

6 They now having come together, asked him, saying, Lord, dost thou at this time restore the

7 kingdom to Israel? And he said to them, It is not for you to know times or occasions, which the Father has reserved for his own disposal.

8 But you shall receive power, after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and you shall be witnesses for me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth.

9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up, and a cloud re10 ceived him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into the heaven as he went up, be-

hold, two men stood by them in white apparel; who also said, Galileans, why stand you gazing 11 into the heaven? This same Jesus, who is taken from you into the heaven, shall so come, in like manner, as you have seen him going into the heaven. Then they returned into Jerusa- 12 lem, from a mount called Olivet, from Jerusalem a sabbath-day's journey. And when they 13 had entered, they went up into the upper room, where abode both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James, son of Alpheus, and Simon Zelotes, and Judas, the brother of James. These 14 were all persevering with one consent, in prayer and supplication, with women, with Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

And in those days Peter stood up in the 15 midst of the disciples, and said (the number of the names together being about one hundred and twenty), Brethren, this scripture must needs 16 have been fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit, by the mouth of David, before spoke, concerning Judas, who was guide to them that seized Jesus. For 17 he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry. (Now a field was pur-18 chased with the reward of his iniquity, and he, falling headlong, burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. And it was 19 known to all the dwellers in Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper

tongue Aceldama, that is to say, the field of 20 blood.) For it is written in the book of Psalms; Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell in it, and his episcopate let another teles. Wherefore of these men that have

21 other take. Wherefore, of these men that have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus

22 went in and out among us, beginning from the immersion of John, to the day that he was taken up from us, must one be appointed to be

23 witness with us of his resurrection. And they appointed two, Joseph, called Barsabas, who

24 was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. And they praying said: Thou Lord, who knowest the hearts of all men, show which of these two

25 thou hast chosen, to take a part in this ministry and an apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.

26 And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was numbered together with the eleven Apostles.

II.—When the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one 2 place. And suddenly there came a sound out of heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared to them tongues distributed, as of fire, and it sat upon every one of

4 them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they began to speak in other tongues, as the spirit gave them utterance.

5 And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, of every nation under heaven.

6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because every one heard them speak in his own

7 tongue. And all were amazed, and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these

8 who speak, Galileans? And how hear we, every man in our own tongue, in which we

9 were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and those inhabiting Mesopotamia,—both

10 Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphilia, and the parts of Lybia about Cyrene, and Roman strangers,—both

11 Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians,—we hear them speaking in our own tongues

12 the majestic works of God. And they were all

amazed and perplexed, saying one to another, What means this? Others (mocking) said, They 13 are full of sweet wine. But Peter, standing up 14 with the eleven, raised his voice, and said to them, Jews, and all you that reside in Jerusalem, be this known to you, and hearken to my words: for these men are not drunk, as you 15 suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the But this is that which was spoken 16 through the prophet Joel, And it shall come 17 to pass, in the last days, that I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh, and they shall prophesy. Your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream in dreams: and 18 on my man servants, and my maid servants, in those days, I will pour out of my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will show won- 19 ders in the heavens above, and signs on the earth beneath-blood and fire, and smoky va-The sun shall be turned into darkness, 20 and the moon into blood, before that great and illustrious day of the Lord come. And it shall 21 come to pass, that every one who shall call upon the name of the Lord, shall be saved. Israelites, hear these words: Jesus, the Naza- 22 rene, a man approved of God among you, by miracles, and wonders, and signs, which God did by him, in the midst of you (as you, yourselves also know)—him having seized, who, by 23 the declared counsel and foreknowledge of God was yielded up, you have, by wicked hands. crucified and slain, whom God has raised up, 24 having loosed the bands of death, because it was impossible that he should be held under it. For David speaks for him: I have always re- 25 garded the Lord, as before my face; for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved. Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue 26 was glad: moreover my flesh shall rest in hope, that thou wilt not leave my soul among 27 the dead, neither wilt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption. Thou hast made known to 28 me the ways of life: thou wilt make me full of joy with thy presence. Brethren, let me 29 freely speak to you of the Patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us to this day. But being 30 a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn to

him, that of the fruit of his loins he would raise 31 up the Christ, to sit on his throne; he, foreseeing this, spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that his soul should not be left among the dead. 32 nor his flesh see corruption. This Jesus has God raised up, of which we are all witnesses. 33 Therefore, being exalted by the right hand of God, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he was shedding 34 forth this which you now see and hear. For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he himself says. The Lord said to my Lord: 35 Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thy foes 36 thy footstool. Let all the house of Israel, therefore, assuredly know, that God has constituted that same Jesus, whom you have cru-37 cified, Lord and Christ. Now when they heard this, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter, and to the other Apostles, Brethren, 38 what shall we do? Then Peter said to them. Reform and be immersed, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the 39 Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you, and to your children, and to all those that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God And with many other words he 40 shall call. testified, and exhorted, saying, Save yourselves

from this froward generation. They, therefore, having gladly received the word, were immersed; and the same day, there 42 were added about three thousand souls. And they perseveringly continued in the Apostle's teaching, and in the contribution, and in the break-43 ing of the loaf, and in the prayers. And fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and 44 signs were done by the Apostles. that believed were together, and had all things 45 common, and sold their possessions and goods, and distributed them to all, as any one had 46 need. And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their food with glad-47 ness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favor with all the people. the Lord daily added the saved to the congregation.

III.—Now Peter and John went up together into the temple, at the hour of prayer-the ninth hour. And a certain man, lame from his 2 birth, was carried thither, whom they daily laid at the gate of the temple, which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of those entering into the temple, who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked alms. And Peter, earnestly looking upon him with John, said, Look on us. And he gave heed to them, expecting to receive something from them. Then Peter said, Silver and gold I have not, but what I have, I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. seizing him by the right hand, he lifted him up; and immediately his feet and ankles received strength. And leaping forth, he stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God. And all the people saw him walking and praising God: and they well knew that it was he, 10 who sat for alms, at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened to him.

And while the lame man, who was healed, 11 held fast Peter and John, all the people ran together to them, upon the porch, called Solomon's, greatly wondering. And when Peter 12 saw it, he addressed the people;—Israelites, why marvel at this? or why look so earnestly on us, as though, by our own strength, or piety, we had caused this man to walk? The God 13 of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered up, and disowned, in presence of Pilate, when he was determined to acquit him. But you disowned the Holy and 14 the Just one, and desired a murderer to be granted to you: and killed the Author of the 15 Life, whom God raised from the dead: whose witnesses we are. And upon the faith in his 16 name, he has made this man strong, whom you behold and know. Yes, his name, and the faith, which is through him, has given him this perfect soundness, in presence of you all.

And now, brethren, I know that you acted in 17 ignorance, as also did your rulers. But God 18

has thus accomplished those things which he had formerly announced by the mouth of all his prophets, that the Christ should suffer.

19 Reform, then, and turn, that your sins may be blotted out, and that seasons of refreshing may

20 come from the presence of the Lord: and that he may send Jesus Christ, the one before pre-

21 pared for you, whom the heavens must, indeed, retain until the times of the completion of all things, which God has spoken through the mouth of all his holy prophets, since the world

22 began. For Moses, indeed, said to the Fathers, That a prophet shall the Lord, your God, raise up for you, from among your bretheren, as he raised me up; him shall you hear in all things, whatever he shall say to you.

23 And every soul who will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

24 And, indeed, all the prophets, from Samuel and those following in order, as many as have

25 spoken, have also foretold these days. You are the sons of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying, to Abraham, "And in thy seed shall all the

26 kindreds of the earth be blessed." God having raised up his servant Jesus, sent him first to you, to bless you in turning away, every one of you, from his iniquities.

IV.—AND while they were speaking to the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple guard, and the Sadducees came upon them,

2 being indignant that they taught the people, and preached, that through Jesus is the resur-

3 rection from the dead. And they laid hands on them, and put them in prison, until the next day:

4 for it was already evening. But many of those who heard the word believed; and the number of the men became about five thousand.

And it came to pass, on the morrow, that their
 rulers, and elders, and scribes, and Annas, the
 High Priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the pontifical fami-

7 ly, were gathered together in Jerusalem. And placing them in the midst, they asked, In what strength, or in what name, have you done this?

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, Rulers of the people, and Elders of Israel,

if we be examined this day concerning a good 9 deed done to an infirm man, in what name he is made whole, be it known to you all, and to all 10 the people of Israel, that in the name of Jesus Christ, the Nazarene—whom you crucified—whom God raised from the dead, by him does this man stand before you sound. This is the 11 stone which was set at naught by you, the builders, which is made the head of the corner. And 12 the salvation is not in another person; for there is not another name under the heaven, given among men, by which it behooves us to be saved.

Now, considering the freedom of speech, of 13 Peter and John, and having perceived that they were illiterate, and persons in private life, they marveled; and they knew them well, that they used to be with Jesus. And beholding the man 14 who was healed, standing with them, they had nothing to say against it. But having com- 15 manded them to withdraw from the council, they conferred with one another, saying, What 16 shall we do to these men? for, that, indeed, a notorious miracle has been wrought by them, is manifest to all those who dwell at Jerusalem, and we can not deny it. But, that it may be 17 spread no further among the people, let us strictly threaten them, that they speak, henceforth, to no man upon this name. And they 18 called them, and commanded them not to speak at all, nor to teach, upon the name of Jesus.

But Peter and John answered, and said to 19 them, Whether it be right in the sight of God, to hearken to you, rather than to God, judge. For we can not but speak the things which we 20 have seen and heard. So, when they had fur-21 ther threatened them, they discharged them, finding no means of punishing them, because of the people; for all were glorifying God, for that which had been done. For the man on whom 22 this miracle of the healing was wrought, was more than forty years old.

And now, having been discharged, they went 23 to their own friends, and announced all that the priests and elders had said to them. And they, 24 hearing, raised a voice to God, with one accord, and said, Sovereign Lord, thou art the God who hast made the heavens, and the earth, and the

25 sea, and all that is in them; who by thy servant David's mouth hast said. Why did nations rage.

26 and people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth presented themselves, and the Princes were gathered together against the

27 Lord, and against his Anointed. For, of a truth, in this city, against thy holy son, Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the people of

28 Israel, were assembled, to do whatever thy hand, and thy counsel had before determined to be

29 done. And now, Lord, behold their threatenings, and grant to thy servants, that, with all

30 boldness, they may speak thy word, by stretching out thy hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done, by the name of thy holy son, Jesus.

31 And, they having prayed, the place in which they were assembled together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and

32 spoke the word of God with boldness. And the multitude of those that believed were of one heart and of one soul, neither did any of them say, that any of the things which he possessed, was his own; but they had all things

33 common. And with great power the Apostles gave testimony concerning the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them

34 all. For neither was there any among them who lacked; for as many as were possessors of lands, or of houses, sold them, and brought the prices

35 of the things sold, and laid them down at the Apostles' feet. And it was distributed to every one, according as any one had need.

36 Now Joses, who, by the Apostles, was surnamed Barnabas (which is, being translated, Son of Consolation), a Levite, a Cyprian by birth, having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the Apostles' feet.

V.—But a certain man named Ananias, with
Sapphira, his wife sold a possession and purloined from the price (his wife also being privy to it), and brought a certain part, and laid it

3 at the Apostles' feet. But Peter said, Ananias, why has Satan possessed your heart, to lie to the Holy Spirit, and to purloin from the price

4 of the land? While it remained, was it not

your own? and after it was sold, was it not in your own power? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? you have not lied to men only, but to God. And Ananias hearing these words, falling, expired; and great fear came on all that heard these things. And the 6 young men arose, wrapped him up, and carrying him out; buried him. Now an interval of about three hours occurred, and his wife, not knowing what was done, came in. And Peter said to her, Tell me whether you sold the land for so much? And she said verily, for so much. Then Peter said to her, Why is it, 9 that you have agreed together, to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? Behold the feet of these who have buried your husband are at the door, and shall carry you out. Then she instantly 10 fell down at his feet and expired: and the young men came in and found her dead, and carrying her out, buried her by her husband. And great fear came upon all the congregation, 11 and upon all those hearing these things.

And through the hands of the Apostles were 12 many signs and wonders done among the people, (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. And of the rest durst no man join 13 himself to them, but the people magnified them. And believers were still more added to the 14 Lord, multitudes of men and also of women), insomuch that they brought forth their sick into 15 streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least, the shadow of Peter, passing by, might overshadow some of them. And the 16 multitude of the surrounding cities also came together into Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those harassed with unclean spirits, and they were every one healed.

But the High Priest arising, and all who 17 were with him (being the party of the Sadducees), were filled with zeal, and threw their 18 hands upon the Apostles, and put them in public custody. But an angel of the Lord, under 19 cover of the night, opened the prison doors, and bringing them forth, said, Go stand and 20 speak in the temple to the people, all the words of this life.

And when they heard that, they entered into 21 the temple early in the morning, and were

teaching. But the High Priest came, and those that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent into the prison to have them brought.

22 But when the officers came and found them not in the prison, they returned and reported,

23 saying: The prison indeed we found shut with all security, and the guards, standing before the entrances; but on opening, we found not one

24 within. Now when the High Priest, and the Captain of the temple, and the Chief Priests, heard these words, they were in perplexity

25 about them, what this might come to be. But one came and reported, saying, Behold, those whom you placed in the prison are standing in

26 the temple and teaching the people. Then, the Captain went, with the officers, and brought them without force (for they feared the people), that they might not be stoned.

And having led them away, they placed them in the council: and the High Priest asked

28 them;—Did we not strictly command you not to teach upon this name? and, behold, you have filled up Jerusalem with your doctrine, and are intending to bring the blood of this man upon

But Peter and the Apostles answering, said,We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers has raised up Jesus, whom

31 you slew, having hanged him on a tree. This person has God exalted to his right hand, a Prince and a Saviour, to grant repentance to

32 Israel, and forgiveness of sins. And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those

33 who obey him. Now those hearing, were exasperated, and they were making up their mind

34 to slay them. But a certain one, arising in the Sanhedrim, a Pharisee, Gamaliel by name, a teacher of law, honored by all the people, commanded to put the Apostles out, for a little

35 while, and said to them, Israelites, take heed to yourselves, what you execute upon these men.

36 For before these days Theudas arose, declaring himself to be somebody, to whom a number of men, about four hundred, attached themselves; who was slain; and all, as many as

obeyed him, were scattered and brought to nothing.

After this man, Judas the Galilean rose up, 37 in the days of the enrollment, and drew away sufficient people after him: and he utterly destroyed himself; and all, as many as were obedient to him, were dispersed. And now I say 38 to you, Withdraw from these men and let them alone; for if this purpose, or this work be of men, it will be destroyed; but if it be of God, 39 you are not able to destroy it, and lest, perhaps, you be found to fight against God. And they were persuaded by him; and having 40 called the Apostles, and scourged them, they commanded that they should not speak upon the name of Jesus, and released them. So 41 they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were esteemed worthy to be dishonored for his name. And they did not 42 cease teaching every day, in the temple, and in every house, and proclaiming Jesus the Christ.

VI.—Now, in those days, the number of the disciples being multiplied, a murmuring of the Hellenists against the Hebrews occurred, because their own widows were neglected in the daily ministration. Then the Twelve, having called the multitude of the disciples to them, said: Relinquishing the word of God to serve tables is not pleasing to us. Wherefore, breth- 3 ren, look out among you seven men of attested character, full of the Holy Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves wholly to prayer, and to the ministry of the word And the 5 speech was pleasing in the mind of all the people; and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicholas, a proselyte of Antioch: whom they presented before the Apostles; and. praying, they laid their hands upon them. And the word of God was increasing, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem was being greatly multiplied, and a great crowd of the priests was becoming submissive to the faith. And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.

9 Then there arose certain of the Synagogue of that composed of the freedmen—Cyrenians and Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia, and

10 of Asia, putting questions to Stephen; and they were not able to resist the wisdom and the

11 spirit by which he spoke. And they privately procured men who said, We have heard him speaking reviling words against Moses and against

12 God. And they excited the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and

13 seized, and brought him to the council, and set up false witnesses, saying, This man ceases not to speak words against this holy place, and the

14 law: for we have heard him saying, that this Jesus, the Nazarene, will destroy this place, and change the customs which Moses delivered us.

15 And all who sat in the council, looking steadfastly on him, saw his face, as if it had been the face of an angel.

VII.—Then the High Priest said, Are these 2 things so? And he said, Brethren and fathers, hearken: The God of the glory appeared to our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia,

3 before he dwelt in Haran, and said to him, "Go forth out of your country, and from your kindred, and come into a country that I will

4 show you." Then he came out of the land of the Chaldeans and dwelt in Haran; and thence, after his father was dead, God caused him to remove into this land, in which you are now

5 dwelling: but he did not give him an inheritance in it, not even a foot breadth. Yet he promised that he would give it to him, for a possession, and to his seed after him, when, as yet, he

6 had no child. Then God spoke thus to him: That his seed should be sojourners in a strange land, and that they should enslave, and oppress

7 them four hundred years. And the nation to whom they shall be in bondage, I will punish, said God, and after this they shall come forth

8 and serve me in this place. And God gave Abraham a covenant of circumcision; and so he begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day. And Isaac begat Jacob, and Jacob begat the

9 twelve patriarchs. And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt. But God

10 was with him, and delivered him out of all his

afflictions, and gave him favor and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh, king of Egypt: and he made him governor over Egypt, and all his household.

Now there came a famine upon all the land of 11 Egypt and Canaan, and great affliction: and our fathers found no sustenance. But Jacob, 12 having heard that there was grain in Egypt, first sent our fathers. And at the second time, 13 Joseph was made known to his brethren; and Joseph's kindred became well known to Pharaoh.

Then Joseph sent and called his father Jacob 14 to him; and all his kindred, seventy-five souls. So Jacob went down into Egypt, and died, he 15 and our fathers, and were carried over into She- 16 chem, and laid in a sepulchre—that which Abraham purchased with a sum of money of Hamor, father of Shechem. But, according as 17 the time of the promise, which God had sworn to Abraham, was drawing near, the people had grown and multiplied in Egypt, till another king 18 arose, who had not known Joseph. The same 19 having treated our race craftily, oppressed our fathers, that they might expose their infants, in order that they might not be preserved alive. At this time Moses was born, and was exceed- 20 ingly beautiful; who was nourished in his father's house, three months. And, he being 21 exposed, Pharaoh's daughter adopted him, and nourished him for her own son. And Moses 22 was educated in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in his words and in his actions.

And when he was full forty years old, it came 23 into his heart to look after his brethren, the children of Israel. And seeing one of them 24 wronged, he defended him, and avenged him who was oppressed, smiting the Egyptian. He 25 supposed, indeed, his brother would have understood that God, by his hand, would deliver them: but they did not understand. And the 26 next day, he showed himself to them as they were quarreling, and would have compelled them to peace, saying, You are brethren; why do you wrong one another? But he who did 27 his neighbor wrong, thrust him away, saying, Who made you a ruler and a judge over us? Will you kill me, as you killed the Egyptian 28

29 yesterday? Then Moses fled at this saying, and was a stranger in the land of Midian, in which 30 he begot two sons. And when forty years were expired, there appeared to him, in the wilderness of the mountain, Sinai, a messenger of the 31 Lord, in a flame of fire in a bush. And when Moses saw it, he wondered at the sight; and, as he drew near to contemplate it, the voice of the 32 Lord came to him, saying, I am the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Then Moses trem-33 bled and durst not look. Then the Lord said to him, Put off your shoes from your feet, for the 34 place on which you stand is holy ground. Truly I have seen the affliction of my people, who are in Egypt, and have heard their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. And now, come, I 35 will send you into Egypt. This Moses, whom they had rejected, saying, Who made you a ruler and a judge? God sent the same to be a ruler and a deliverer, by the hand of the messenger 36 that appeared to him in the bush. He brought them out, after showing wonders and signs, in the land of Egypt, and in the Red Sea, and in 37 the wilderness, forty years. This is the Moses who said to the children of Israel, The Lord your God will raise up a prophet for you, of your brethren, as he raised up me; you shall hear him. 38 This is he who was in the congregation in the wilderness, with the messenger that spoke to him in the mount Sinai, and with our fathers, who received the life-giving oracles to give to 39 us: whom our fathers would not obey, but thrust him from them, and in their hearts turned back again into Egypt, saying to Aaron, Make us gods to go before us: because, as for this Moses, who brought us out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what is become of him. 41 And they made a calf in those days, and offered sacrifice to the idol, and rejoiced in the work of 42 their own hands. Then God turned and gave them up to worship the army of heaven: as it is written in the book of the prophets; O house of Israel, have you offered to me slain beasts and sacrifices, during forty years in the wilderness?

43 You even took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and

the star of your god Remphan, images which you made to worship; therefore, I will carry you

away beyond Babylon. Our fathers had the 44 tabernacle of testimony in the wilderness, as he had appointed, speaking to Moses, that he should make it according to the pattern that he had seen: which tabernacle also our fathers having 45 received, they brought in with Joshua, into the possession of the heathen, whom God drove out before the face of our fathers, until the days of David; who found favor before God, and 46 desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob. But Solomon built him a house. Never- 47 theless, the Most High does not dwell in temples 48 made with hands; as the prophet says: The 49 heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. What house will you build for me? says the Lord: or, what is the place of my rest? Did not my hand make all these? 50 Stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and 51 ears, you are always resisting the Holy Spirit: as your fathers did, so you are doing. Which 52 of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? They even slew those who had previously announced the coming of the Just One, of whom you have now been the betrayers and murderers -you who have received the law by the minis- 53 tration of angels, and have not kept it. When 54 they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, looked up 55 steadfastly into the heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said: Behold, I see the heaven opened, 56 and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud 57 voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one consent, and cast him out of the city, and stoned him. And the witnesses laid off 58 their garments at the feet of a young man, named Saul. And they stoned Stephen, in- 59 voking, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down and cried out, 60 with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to

VIII.—Now on that day there arose a great persecution against the congregation, which was in Jerusalem; and they were all scattered

their charge. And when he had said this he fell

asleep. Now Saul was consenting to his death.

abroad throughout the districts of Judea and 2 Samaria, except the Apostles. Yet devout men jointly bore away Stephen to the grave, and

3 made great lamentation over him. But Saul wasted the congregation, entering into the houses, and dragging forth men and women, he com-

4 mitted them to prison. Nevertheless, the dis-

5 persed, passed along preaching the word. Philip, indeed, having gone down to a city of Samaria, was announcing the Christ to them:

6 and the multitudes were, with one accord, giving heed to the things spoken by Philip, when they heard and saw the miracles which he was

7 doing: for, from many who had unclean spirits, they were going out, crying with a loud voice;

8 and many palsied and lame were healed. And there was great joy in that city.

9 But there was there, before, a certain man, named Simon, who formerly, in the same city, had practiced sorcery, and astonished the people of Samaria, boasting that he was some great

10 one. To whom they all gave heed, young and old, saying, This man is the great power of God.

11 And to him indeed they gave heed, because that for a long time, he had astonished them with

12 his sorceries. But when they believed Philip, preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they

13 were immersed, both men and women. Also Simon himself believed; and when he was immersed, he constantly adhered to Philip, and, beholding the miracles and signs which were done, he was astonished.

14 Now when the Apostles who were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and

15 John, who, when they had come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy

16 Spirit. For as yet, he had fallen upon none of them: only they had been immersed into the

17 name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

18 And when Simon saw that, through laying on of the Apostles' hands, the Holy Spirit was

19 given, he offered them money, saying, Give to me also this power, that on whomever I lay

20 hands, he may receive the Holy Spirit. But Peter said to him, May your silver go to destruction with you, because you have presumed to procure the gift of God through money. To 21 you there is no part nor portion in this thing, for your heart is not right in the sight of God. Reform, therefore, from this your wickedness, 22 and pray the Lord, if, perhaps, the device of your heart shall be forgiven you; for I perceive 23 that you are in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity. Then Simon, answering, 24 said, Pray to the Lord for me that none of these things, which you have spoken, may come upon me. They therefore, when they had testified and 25 preached the word of the Lord, set out on their return to Jerusalem, and they preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.

But an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, 26 saying, Arise, and go toward the south, to the the way that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza (which is the way through the desert). And he arose and went; and behold a man of 27 Ethiopia, an officer of great authority, under Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come into Jerusalem to worship; and he was returning, 28 and, sitting upon his chariot, he was reading Isaiah, the prophet. Moreover the Spirit said 29 to Philip, Go near and join yourself to this chariot. And Philip having run up to him, and 30 heard him reading Isaiah, the prophet, said, Do you understand what you are reading? He 31 replied, How can I, except some one should guide me? And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. Now the passage of the 32 Scripture, which he was reading, was this, "He was led away as a sheep to slaughter: and as a lamb is silent before the shearer, so he opens not his mouth. In his humiliation, his con- 33 demnation was extorted; and who shall declare his generation? for his life is violently taken from the earth." And the officer, replying to 34 Philip, said, I beg of you, of whom does the prophet speak this? of himself, or of some other person? And Philip opened his mouth, 35 and began at the same Scripture, and announced to him Jesus.

And as they were going along the road, they 36 came upon a certain water: and the officer said,—Behold water! What hinders my being

37 immersed? And Philip said, If you believe with all your heart, you may. And he answered, and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is

38 the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still; and they both went down into the water, Philip and the officer, and

39 he immersed him. And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, that the officer saw him no more; for he went on his journey rejoicing.

40 But Philip was found in Azotus: and, passing along, he announced the tidings in all the cities till his entrance into Cæsarea.

IX.—But Saul yet breathing out threatening and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, 2 went to the High Priest, and desired from him letters to Damascus, to the Synagogues, that if he found any of that way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound to 3 to Jerusalem. Now in the journey, he came near Damascus: and, suddenly, there flashed

4 around him, a light from heaven, and having fallen upon the earth, he heard a voice saying to him, Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?

5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the the Lord said, I am Jesus, whom you persecute; it is hard for you to kick against the goads.

6 And he, trembling and astonished, said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said to him, Arise, and go into the city, and it

7 shall be told you what you must do. And the men who were journeying with him, had stood speechless, hearing, indeed, the voice, but seeing

8 no person. But Saul was raised from the earth; and, though his eyes were opened, he saw no person: but they led him by the hand,

9 and brought him into Damascus. And he was there three days without seeing, and did not eat nor drink.

10 Now, there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias: and the Lord said to him in a vision, Ananias! And he said, Behold, I am

11 here, Lord. And the Lord said to him, Arise and go upon the street which is called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for behold he is praying to 12 me, and has seen in a vision a man named

Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight. Then Ananias 13 answered, Lord, I have heard, by many, of this man, how much evil he has done to thy saints who are in Jerusalem. And here he has author-14 ity from the chief Priests, to bind all those invoking thy name. But the Lord said to him, Go, 15 for he is a chosen instrument for me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will indicate to him 16 how great things he must suffer on account of my name.

And Ananias went away and entered into 17 the house, and having laid his hands on him, said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, who appeared to you in the way as you came, has sent me, that you may receive sight, and be filled with the Holy Spirit. And immediately there 18 fell from his eyes, as it were scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was immersed: and having taken food he was strength- 19 ened. Then Saul was some days with the disciples who were at Damascus. And immedi- 20 ately he proclaimed Christ in the synagogues, that this is the Son of God. But all that heard 21 him were amazed, and said, Is not this he who destroyed those who invoked this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for this purpose, that he might bring them bound to the chief Priests? But Saul increased the more in strength, and 22 confounded the Jews who dwelt in Damascus, proving that this person is the Christ. Now 23 when many days were accomplished, the Jews consulted to kill him. But their conspiracy was 24 known to Saul, and they watched the gates, day and night, that they might kill him. Then 25 the disciples took him by night, and let him down through the wall in a basket. But coming 26 into Jerusalem, he was attempting to attach himself to the disciples; but they were all fearing him, not believing him to be a disciple. But Barnabas took him and brought him to the 27 Apostles, and fully declared to them, how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had boldly preached

And he was with them, coming in and going out 28 in Jerusalem, and preaching boldly in the name 29

at Damascus, in the name of Jesus.

of the Lord Jesus, and was talking and disputing with the Hellenists; but they undertook to kill

30 him. The brethren, having ascertained this, conducted him into Cæsarea, and sent him out

31 into Tarsus. Then the congregations had peace, throughout all Judea, and Galilee, and Samaria, being edified; and, walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the consolation of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.

32 Now it happened that Peter, while passing through among all, came down also to the saints

33 that dwelt at Lydda: and there he found a certain man, named Æneas, who had kept his bed

34 eight years, and was sick of the palsy. And Peter said to him, Æneas, Jesus, the Christ, heals you. Arise and make your bed. And he

35 arose immediately. And all who dwelt at Lydda, and Saron, beheld him, and turned to the Lord.

36 Now there was, in Joppa, a certain disciple, named Tabitha (which by interpretation is called, Dorcas): this woman was full of good

37 works, and of alms which she did. Now it came to pass in those days that she, being sick, died. And, having washed her, they placed her

38 in an upper room. And Lydda being near to Joppa, the disciples, having heard that Peter was in that place, sent two men to him, entreating, that he would not delay to come

39 through as far as to them. Then Peter, arising, went with them; whom having come, they led into the upper room; and all the widows stood by him weeping, and showing vests and mantles, all which Dorcas made while she was with

40 them. But Peter, putting them all forth, kneeled down and prayed; and turning to the body, said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her

41 eyes. And when she saw Peter, she sat up, and he gave her his hand, and caused her to stand up; and having called the saints and widows,

42 he presented her alive. And it was known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the

43 Lord. And he tarried many days in Joppa, with one Simon, a tanner.

X.—Now a certain man in Cæsarea, called Cornelius, a centurion of the band, called the
2 Italian Band, a devout man, and one who feared God, with all his family, who gave much alms

to the people, and prayed to God continually; he distinctly saw in a vision, about the ninth hour of the day, an angel of God coming in to him, and saying to him, Cornelius! And when he looked on him he was afraid, and said; What is it, Lord? And he said to him, Your prayers and your alms are come up for a memorial of you before 3od. And now send men to Joppa, and call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter. He lodges with one Simon, 6 a tanner, whose house is by the sea-shore. He will tell you what you ought to do. And 7 when the angel who spoke to Cornelius was gone, he called two of his domestics, and a devout soldier of those who waited on him; and 8 having fully related all these things to them, he sent them to Joppa. Again, on the next 9 day, while they were on their journey, and drew near the city, Peter went up on the house-top to pray, at about the sixth hour. And becoming very hungry, he desired to eat. 10 Now while they were preparing, he fell into a trance, and saw the heaven open, and a certain 11 vessel descending to him like a great white sheet, bound together at four corners, and let down to the earth; in which were all kinds of 12 four-footed animals, and wild beasts, and reptiles of the earth, and birds of the air. And there 13 came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill and eat. But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never 14 eaten any thing common or unclean. And the 15 voice said to him again, a second time; What God has cleansed, that call not you common. This was done thrice, and the vessel was taken 16 up again into the heaven.

Now as Peter was pondering in himself, what 17 the vision which he had seen could mean; behold the men who were sent from Cornelius, having inquired out Simon's house, stood at the gate, and calling, they asked, whether 18 Simon, surnamed Peter, was lodging there. While Peter thought attentively of the vision, 19 the Spirit said to him, Behold three men are seeking you. Arise, therefore, go down and 20 accompany them, doubting nothing, for I have sent them. Then Peter went down to the 21 men, and said, Behold, I am he whom you are seeking. What is the reason for which you

22 are come? And they said, Cornelius, the centurion, a just man, and one who fears God, and of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was instructed from God, by a holy messenger, to send for you into his house, and to

23 hear words of you. Then, calling them in, he entertained them. And on the next day Peter went with them, and certain brethren from

24 Joppa accompanied him. And on the next day, he entered into Cæsarea: and Cornelius was waiting for them, having called together his kindred and intimate friends.

25 Now, as Peter was entering, Cornelius met him, and falling down at his feet, he wor-

26 shiped him. But Peter raised him up, saying,

27 Stand up. I myself also am a man. And, conversing with him, he went in and found many assembled.

28 And he said to them, You well know that it is unlawful for a man, who is a Jew, to associate with, or to approach one of another nation; and yet God has showed to me that I should not call any man common or unclean.

29 And therefore I came without objecting, as soon as I was sent for. I ask then, for what purpose you have sent for me?

30 And Cornelius said, Four days ago, I was fasting till this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and behold, a man stood

31 before me, in bright apparel, and said, Cornelius, your prayer is heard, and your alms are had

32 in remembrance before God. Send, therefore, to Joppa, and call here Simon, whose surname is Peter. He is entertained in the house of one Simon, a tanner, by the sea-shore; who,

33 when he is come, will speak to you. Immediately, therefore, I sent to you, and you have done well that you have come. Now then, we are all here present before God, to hear all

34 things that are commanded you by God. Then Peter, opening his mouth, said, In truth, I perceive that God is not a respecter of persons;

35 but, in every nation, he that fears him, and

36 works righteousness, is acceptable to him. You know the message, which he sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus

37 Christ, he is Lord of all ;-you know that message which was published throughout all Judea.

beginning from Galilee, after the immersion which John preached; -concerning Jesus of Nazareth: how God anointed him with the 38 Holy Spirit and with power; who went about, from place to place, doing good, and healing all that were oppressed by the devil; for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all 39 things which he did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew, hanging him on a tree. Him God raised up 40 the third day, and showed him openly; not to 41 all the people, but to witnesses before chosen by God, even to us who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. he commanded us to announce to the people, and to testify that it is he himself who is ordained by God, to be the judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets testify, 43 that whoever believes in him shall, through his name, receive remission of sins. While Peter 44 was yet speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell on all those who heard the word. And 45 those of the circumcision, who believed, as many as came with Peter, were astonished because that on the Gentiles also, the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out. For they heard 46 them speak with other tongues, and magnify God. Then Peter answered, Can any man for- 47 bid the water, that these should not be immersed, who have received the Holy Spirit, as well as we? And he commanded them to be 48 immersed in the name of the Lord. Then they requested him to remain some days.

XI.—And the Apostles and brethren, throughout Judea, heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. And when Peter went up into Jerusalem, they of the circumcision disputed with him, saying, You associated with men who are uncircumcised, and ate with them. But Peter related the matter from the beginning. and set it forth in order to them, saving. I was in the city of Joppa, praying; and I saw, in a trance, a vision, something descend, like a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners, and it came even to me. Upon which, when I had earnestly looked, I considered, and saw foorfooted animals of the earth, and wild beasts, and

- 7 reptiles and birds of the air. And I heard a voice,
- 8 saying to me, Arise, Peter; kill and eat. But I said, Not so, Lord; for nothing common or unclean, has, at any time, entered into my mouth.
- 9 But the voice answered me again from heaven; What God has cleansed, that call not you common.
- 10 And this was done three times; and all were
- 11 drawn up again into heaven. And behold, there were immediately three men already come to the house where I was, sent from Cæsarea to me.
- 12 And the Spirit bade me go with them, doubting nothing. And, moreover, these six brethren accompanied me; and we entered into the man's
- 13 house; and he told us, how he had seen the messenger in his house, who stood and said to him; Send to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose
- 14 surname is Peter, who will tell you words, by which you and all your house shall be saved.
- 15 And as I began to speak; the Holy Spirit fell on
- 16 them, as on us in the beginning. Then I remembered the declaration of the Lord, how he said, John, indeed, immersed in water, but you
- 17 shall be immersed in the Holy Spirit. Since, then, God gave them the same gift even as he did to us, when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; who was I that I could withstand
- 18 God? When they heard these things they were silent, and glorified God, saying, God, then, indeed, has also granted to the Gentiles the reformation to life.
- 19 Now they who were scattered abroad, upon the persecution that arose about Stephen, traveled as far as Phenicia, and Cyprus, and Antioch,
- 20 speaking the word to none but Jews. And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, having come into Antioch, spoke to the Hellen ists, preaching the gospel of the Lord Jesus.
- 21 And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord.
- 22 Then tidings of these things came to the ears of the congregation which was in Jerusalem; and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go
- 23 through to Antioch; who, when he came and beheld the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart, they should
- 24 adhere to the Lord. For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a
- 25 great multitude was added to the Lord. Then

Barnabas departed to Tarsus to seek Saul. And 26 when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. And it came to pass that, during a whole year, they were assembled with the congregation, and taught a great multitude. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

And in those days prophets came down from 27 Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them, named 28 Agabus, having stood up made known through the Spirit that there would be a great famine throughout all the land, which occurred in the days of Claudius. Then the disciples, every one, 29 according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren that dwelt in Judea; which 30 they also did; and sent it to the Elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

XII.—Now, about that time, Herod, the king, stretched forth his hands to persecute certain persons of the congregation. And he killed James, the brother of John, with the sword. And because he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to seize Peter also. (And then were the days of the unleavened loaves.) And having apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quarternions of soldiers, to guard him, intending, after the passover, to bring him forth to the people. Peter, therefore, was kept in prison, but earnest prayer, without ceasing, was made by the congregation to God for him.

And when Herod would have brought him forth, in that night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains; and keepers, before the door, guarded the prison. And behold a messenger of the Lord stood near, and a light shone in the prison, and, striking Peter on the side, he raised him up, saying, Rise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. And the messenger said to him, Gird yourself and bind on your sandals. And he did so. And he said to him, Cast your garment around you, and follow me. And Peter went 9 out and followed him, and had not perceived that what was done by the messenger was real, but thought that he saw a vision.

10 When they had passed the first and the second watch, they came to the iron gate, that leads into the city; which opened spontaneously to them; and they went out, and passed on through one street. And forthwith the mes-

11 senger departed from him. Then Peter, having come to himself, said, Now I certainly know that the Lord has sent his messenger, and has delivered me out of the hands of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

12 And when he had considered the matter, he went to the house of Mary, the mother of John, whose surname was Mark, where many were

13 assembled, praying. And when he knocked at the door of the gate, a maid servant, named

14 Rhoda, went to hearken. And recognizing Peter's voice, she did not open the gate, for gladness; but ran in and told them that Peter

15 was standing before the gate. And they said to her, You are crazy. But she confidently affirmed that it was even so. Then they said,

16 It is his messenger. But Peter continued knocking. And when they had opened the

17 door, and saw him, they were astonished. But he, beckoning to them with the hand to be quiet, declared to them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go tell these things to James, and to the brethren. And he departed and went to another place.

18 Now, as soon as it was day, there was no small stir among the soldiers, as to what had

19 become of Peter. And when Herod had sought for him, and did not find him, he examined the keepers, and commanded that they should be put to death. And he went from Judea to Cæsarea, and abode there.

20 And Herod being enraged at those of Tyre and Sidon, they came with one accord to him, and, having made Blastus, the king's chamberlain, their friend, desired peace; because their country was supported by the king's country.

21 And, on an appointed day, Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat on his throne, and made a

22 speech to them. And the people shouted, saying, It is the voice of a God, and not of a man.

23 And immediately a messenger of the Lord

smote him because he did not give God the glory. And, having been eaten by worms, he expired.

But the word of God continued to grow, and 24 extend. And Barnabas and Saul returned from 25 Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled their ministry, and took with them John, whose surname was Mark.

XIII.—Now there were in the congregation that existed in Antioch, certain prophets and teachers, as Barnabas and Simeon, who is called Niger, and Lucius the Cyrenian, and Manaen, who had been brought up with Herod the Tetrarch, and Saul. While they were ministering to the Lord, and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, Separate for me Barnabas and Saul to the work, for which I have called them. 3 when they had fasted, and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away. So they, being sent forth by the Holy Spirit, went down into Seleucia; and thence they sailed into Cyprus. And when they were in Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogue of the Jews, and they had also John as their attendant. And when they had gone through the whole island as far as Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name was Bar-Jesus-who was with the proconsul of the country, Sergius Paulus, a prudent man; who called for Barnabas and Saul. and desired to hear the word of God. But Elymas, the sorcerer (for so is his name, being translated), opposed them, seeking to turn aside the proconsul from the faith. Then Saul (also called Paul), filled with the Holy Spirit, having looked earnestly upon him, said, O full of all 10 subtilty and all mischief, son of the Devil, enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord? And 11 now behold the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist, and a darkness; and he went about seeking some persons to lead him by the hands. Then the proconsul, having seen what was 12 done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

- 13 And, loosing from Paphos, they who were with Paul came into Perga of Pamphilia; and John, departing from them, returned into Jerusalem.
- 14 But they themselves, departing from Perga, came into Antioch of Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath-day, and sat down.
- 15 And, after the reading of the Law and the Prophets, the rulers of the synagogue sent to them, saying, Brethren, if you have a word of exhortation for the people, *peak it.

Then Paul stood up, and waving with his hand, he said: Israelites, and you who fear

- 17 God, hearken. The God of this people chose our Fathers and exalted the people, when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with a high arm he brought them out of it.
- 18 And for about the period of forty years he
- 19 nourished them in the wilderness. And when he had subjected seven nations, in the land of Canaan, he divided their land to them by lot.
- 20 And after these things, during about four hundred and fifty years, he gave them judges until Samuel, the Prophet.
- 21 And after that they asked a king for themselves. And God granted to them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, during
- 22 forty years. And having removed him, he raised up for them David, to be king; to whom also he testified, saying, "I have found David, the son of Jesse, a man after my own heart,"
- 23 who shall perform all my desires. Of this man's seed has God, according to promise,
- 24 brought up for Israel a saviour—Jesus; John having first preached, before his entrance on his work, an immersion of reformation to all the
- 25 people of Israel. Now while John was completing his course, he said, Whom do you suppose me to be? I am not he. But behold, one is coming after me, the shoes of whose feet I am
- 26 not worthy to loose. Brethren, sons of the race of Abraham, and those among you who fear God, to you is the word of this salvation sent.
- 27 For they who dwell in Jerusalem, and their rulers, not knowing him, and the utterances of the prophets, which are read every sabbath,
- 28 have, in condemning him, fulfilled them. And although they found not the least cause of death

in him, yet they desired Pilate to put him to death. And when they had fulfilled all that 29 was written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre. But God 30 raised him from the dead; and he was seen 31 many days by those who came up with him from Galilee into Jerusalem, who are his witnesses to the people. And we are declaring to 32 you glad tidings, how that the promise, which was made to the fathers, God has completely 33 fulfilled the same to us their children, he having raised up Jesus: as it is also written in the second Psalm, "Thou art my Son, to-day I have begotten thee." And that he raised him up 34 from the dead, no more to return to corruption, he said thus, "I will give to you the faithful mercies of David." Wherefore he says also, in 35 another psalm, "Thou wilt not give up thy Holy One to see corruption." For David, indeed, 36 after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell asleep, and was added to his fathers, and saw corruption. But he whom God 37 raised again, did not see corruption.

Be it known to you therefore, brethren, that 38 through this person is announced to you the forgiveness of sins. And by him all that believe 39 are justified from all things from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses. Beware, then, lest that come upon you which is 40 written in the prophets; Behold, you despisers, 41 and wonder and perish. For I execute a work in your days, a work which you will not believe, though any one should fully declare it to you. And as they were going out, the Gentiles 42 besought them, that these words might be spoken to them the next sabbath. Now when 43 the congregation was dispersed, many of the Jews and religious proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas, who, addressing them, persuaded them to persevere in the grace of God. And 44 on the next sabbath, almost the whole city assembled to hear the word of God. But when 45 the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with zeal, and spoke against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and reviling. Then Paul and Barnabas became bold, 46 and said: It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you. But

seeing you put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of the everlasting life, behold

- 47 we turn to the Gentiles. For so has the Lord commanded us, saying; I have placed you for a light of nations that you might be for salva-
- 48 tion even to the ends of the earth. On hearing this the Gentiles rejoiced, and glorified the word of the Lord, and as many, as were deter-
- 49 mined for everlasting life, believed. And the word of the Lord was published throughout all
- 50 the region. But the Jews stirred up the devout and honorable women, and the chief men of the city, and raised a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their bor-
- 51 ders. But they shook off the dust of their feet
- 52 against them, and went into Iconium. And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

XIV.—And it occurred in Iconium, that they, at the same time, went into the synagogue of the Jews, and spoke so that a great multitude, both of the Jews, and also of the Hellenists, 2 believed. But the unbelieving Jews stirred up

- the Gentiles, and disaffected their minds against
- 3 the brethren. For a long time, therefore, they continued there speaking boldly respecting the Lord who attested the word of his grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands.
- 4 But the multitude of the city was divided. Some were with the Jews, and the others with
- 5 the Apostles. And when there was a rush, both by the Gentiles, and also by the Jews with their rulers, to use them spitefully, and to stone them,
- 6 they, being aware of it, fled down into Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and into the sur-
- 7 rounding country. And there they announced the gospel.
- 8 And, a certain man in Lystra was sitting, impotent in his feet, a cripple from his birth; who
- 9 had never walked. The same heard Paul speak; who, looking intently upon him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,
- 10 said with a loud voice, Stand upright on your
- 11 feet. And he leaped and walked. And when the people saw what Paul had done, they raised their voices, saying in the Lycaonian, The gods

are come down to us, in the likeness of men. And they called Barnabas, Zeus, and Paul, 12 Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. Then the priest of the Zeus that was before the 13 city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates, and, with the people, wished to offer sacrifices to them. Which when the Apostles, Barnabas 14 and Paul, heard, they rent their clothes, and leaped forth into the crowd, crying out, and 15 saying, Why do you do these things? We are men of like nature with yourselves, declaring to you glad tidings, that you should turn from these vanities to the living God, who made the heaven, and the earth, and the sea, and all things that are in them; who, in the ages past, 16 suffered all the nations to go on in their own ways. Nevertheless, he did not leave himself 17 without testimony, in that he did good, and gave vou rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling your hearts with food and gladness. And with 18 these sayings they scarcely restrained the people, that they did not offer sacrifice to them. Then 19 Jews came over from Antioch and Iconium: and having persuaded the multitudes, and having stoned Paul, they were dragging him out of the city, supposing that he was dead. But, while 20 the disciples were standing about him, rising up, he entered into the city. And the next day he went out with Barnabas into Derbe. And when 21 they had announced the glad tidings to that city, and made many disciples, they returned into Lystra, and Iconium, and Antioch, confirming 22 the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, saying that we must, through much tribulation, enter into the kingdom of God. And, having appointed for them elders 23 in every congregation, and having prayed with fastings, they commended them to the Lord, in whom they believed. And, having passed 24 through Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia. And 25 when they had spoken the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia; and thence they sailed 26 to Antioch, whence they had been commended to the grace of God, for the work which they performed.

And when they came, and had assembled the 27 congregation, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and that he had opened a door

28 of faith to the nations. And they continued no little time with the disciples.

XV.—And certain persons that came down from Judea, taught the brethren, saying, Unless you are circumcised after the custom of

- 2 Moses, you can not be saved. When, therefore, Paul and Barnabas had no little dissension and discussion with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas and certain others of them, should go up into Jerusalem to the Apostles
- 3 and elders about this question. And being brought on their way by the congregation, they passed through Phenicia and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles; and caused great joy to all the brethren.
- 4 And when they were come into Jerusalem, they were received by the congregation, and by the Apostles and elders, and they declared all
- 5 things that God had done by them. But some of the sect of the Pharisees, who believed, rose up, saying, that it was necessary to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.
- 6 And the Apostles and elders came together 7 to consider of this matter. And when there had been much discussion, Peter rose up and said to them, Brethren, you know that at first God made choice among us, that the Gentiles, by my mouth, should hear the word of the
- 8 Gospel, and believe. And God, who knows the hearts, bore them testimony, giving them the
- 9 Holy Spirit, even as to us; and put no difference between us and them, having purified their
- 10 hearts by the faith. Now, therefore, why do you try God by putting a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers, nor
- 11 we, were able to bear? But, through the grace of the Lord Jesus, we believe that we shall be saved, even as they.
- 12 Then all the multitude were silent, and heard Barnabas and Paul declaring what signs and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them
- 13 And after they were silent, James addressed
- 14 them, saying, Brethren, hearken to me. Simeon has declared how God first visited the Gentiles, to take out of them, a people for his name.

And with this the words of the prophets agree; 15 as it is written, After this I will return, and 16 will rebuild the tabernacle of David which is fallen down, and I will rebuild its ruins, and I will set it up; that the rest of men may seek 17 after the Lord, even all the nations, upon whom my name is called, says the Lord, who does all these things. Known to God from everlasting 18 are all his works. Wherefore my judgment is, 19 not to trouble those who from among the Gentiles turn to God; but to write to them, that 20 they abstain from pollutions of the idols, and fornication, and things strangled, and blood. For, from ancient times, Moses has, in every 21 city, those who preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath.

Then it pleased the Apostles and the elders, 22 with the whole congregation, to send chosen men, from among themselves, to Antioch, with Paul and Barnabas:—Judas, surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, leading men among the brethren. And they wrote by them these words:-The 23 Apostles, and elders, and brethren, greeting-To the brethren of the Gentiles in Antioch, and Syria, and Cilicia. Since we have heard, that 24 some persons who went out from us, have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, You must be circumcised, and keep the law; to whom we gave no commandment; it 25 seemed good to us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men to you, with our beloved Barnabas and Paul; men who have haz- 26 arded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have sent, therefore, Judas and 27 Silas, who also themselves will tell you the same things by word of mouth. For it seemed 28 good to the Holy Spirit, and to us, to lay on you no greater burden than these necessary things; to abstain from meats offered to idols, 29 and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication; from which, if you keep yourselves, you will do well. Farewell. So, 30 then, having been dismissed, they came into Antioch: and when they had assembled the multitude, they delivered the epistle; and having 31 read it, they rejoiced over the consolation. And Judas and Silas, being also themselves 32 prophets, exhorted the brethren with many

33 words, and established them. And after they had made some stay, they were dismissed, with

34 peace from the brethren to the Apostles. But

35 it pleased Silas to remain there still. Paul and Barnabas, also, continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

- And some days after, Paul said to Barnabas, Let us visit the brethren in every city, in which we have preached the word of the Lord, to see
- 37 how they do. And Barnabas determined to take John with them, whose surname was Mark.
- 38 But Paul thought it not proper to take him with them, who departed from them in Pamphylia, and did not go with them into the work.
- 39 And there arose a contention so that they separated one from the other; and Barnabas
- 40 took Mark, and sailed into Cyprus. But Paul chose Silas, and departed, being commended by
- 41 the brethren to the favor of God. And he went through Syria and Cilicia, establishing the congregations.

XVI.—Then Paul came to Derbe and Lystra; and, behold, a disciple was there, named Timothy (the son of a woman who was a Jewess and

- 2 a believer, but his father was a Greek), who was well attested by the brethren in Lystra and
- 3 Iconium. Paul wished him to go forth with him, and took and circumcised him, because of the Jews who were in these quarters: for they all
- 4 knew that his father was a Greek. And as they went through the cities, they delivered to them, for their observance, the decrees that had been ordained by the Apostles and elders who were
- 5 in Jerusalem. And so were the congregations established in the faith, and daily increased in number.
- 6 Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia, and the region of Galatia, and (being forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia)
- 7 after they came to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia; but the Spirit suffered them not.
- 8 So passing along Mysia, they came to Troas.
- 9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night.

 There stood a man, a Macedonian, who besought him, saying, come over into Macedonia, and help
- 10 us. And after he had seen the vision, we imme-

diately endeavored to go forth into Macedonia, being assured that the Lord had called us to preach the gospel to them. Therefore, loosing 11 from Troas, we ran by a straight course to Samothrace, and the next day to Neapolis; and 12 thence to Philippi, which is a chief city of that part of Macedonia, and a colony. And we abode in that city some days. And on the sab- 13 bath, we went out of the city by the side of a river, where there was a customary place of prayer; and we sat down, and spoke to the women that resorted there. And a woman, 14 named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, who worshiped God, heard us; whose heart the Lord opened, to attend to the things spoken by Paul. And when she was immersed, 15 and her household, she besought us, saying, Since you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and there remain. And she constrained us.

And as we went to prayer, a certain maid, 16 having a spirit of divination, met us, who brought her masters much gain by soothsaying. The 17 same followed Paul and us, and cried, saving, These men are the servants of the most high God, who show to us the way of salvation. And this she did many days; but Paul, outraged, 18 turned and said to the spirit, I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour. And when 19 the masters saw that the hope of their gain was gone, they caught Paul and Silas, and drew them into the market-place, before the magistrates. And brought them to the magistrates, 20 saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city, and teach customs, which are 21 not lawful for us to receive, or to observe, being Romans. And the multitude rose up together 22 against them, and the magistrates, having torn off their garments, commanded to beat them. And when they had laid many stripes on them, 23 they cast them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely; who, having received such 24 a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks. And at mid- 25 night Paul and Silas prayed and sung praises to God; and the prisoners heard them; and sudden- 26 ly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's 27 bands were loosed. And the keeper of the prison, awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison-doors open, drew his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners

28 had fled. But Paul cried with a lond voice, saying, Do yourself no harm: for we are all

29 here. Then he called for lights, and sprung in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul

30 and Silas, and brought them out, and said, Sirs,

31 what must I do, in order to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and

32 you shall be saved, and your family. And they spoke to him the word of the Lord, and to all

33 who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes, and was immediately immersed, he and all his

34 family. And when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them, and rejoiced,

35 believing in God with all his family. And when it was day, the magistrates sent the

36 officers, saying, Release those men. And the keeper of the prison told Paul, The magistrates have sent to release you; now, therefore, de-

37 part, and go in peace. But Paul said to them, They have beaten us openly uncondemned, being Romans, and have cast us into prison, and now do they cast us out privately? Nay, indeed, but let them come themselves, and lead us

38 out. And the officers told these words to the magistrates, and they feared when they heard

39 that they were Romans. And they came and besought them, and led them out, and desired

40 them to depart out of the city. And they went out of the prison, and entered into the house of Lydia, and when they had seen the brethren, they exhorted them, and departed.

XVII.—Now when Paul and Silas had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where there was the syna-2 gogue of the Jews. And Paul, as his custom was, went in to them, and three sabbaths 3 reasoned with them from the Scriptures, opening them and setting forth that the Christ must suffer, and rise again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I announce to you, is the

Christ. And some of them believed and adhered to Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the principal women not a few.

But the Jews who did not believe, moved with envy, gathered some vile men of the street idlers, and raised a mob, and set all the city in an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people; but 6 not finding them, they dragged Jason and certain brethren before the city rulers, exclaiming, These men, who have turned the world upside down, are come hither also; whom Jason has received; and all these act contrary to the decrees of Cæsar, saying, That there is another king,-Jesus. And they troubled the people, and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things. And having taken security of Jason 9 and the others, they dismissed them. And the 10 brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night to Berea, who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews. Now these were 11 more noble-minded than those of Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, searching the Scriptures daily, to see if these things were so. Therefore many of 12 them believed; also of honorable women, who were Greeks, and men, not a few. But when 13 the Jews of Thessalonica knew that the word of of God was preached by Paul in Berea, they came thither also, and stirred up the rabble. And then the brethren, immediately sent away 14 Paul even to the sea. But Silas and Timothy abode there still. And they who conducted 15 Paul, brought him to Athens; and having received a commandment to Silas and Timothy to come to him, as soon as possible, they departed.

Now while Paul was waiting for them at 16 Athens, his spirit was roused in him, when he saw the city wholly devoted to idols. There- 17 fore he disputed in the synagogue, with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market, daily, with those who met with him. Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans 18 and of the Stoics encountered him; and some said, What would this chatterer say? and others, He seems to be a publisher of foreign gods, because he announced to them Jesus and

19 the resurrection. Now they took him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, Can we know what this new doctrine is, of which you

20 speak? For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish, therefore, to know what these things mean.

21 For all Athenians and strangers who were there, spent their time in nothing else, but either

22 in telling or hearing some new thing. Then Paul stood up in the midst of the Areopagus, and said, Athenians! I perceive that, in every

23 respect, you are exceedingly devotional. For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found an altar with this inscription, To an Unknown Gop: him, therefore, whom you, not knowing, worship, I declare to you.

God who made the world and all things in it, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and of earth,

25 dwells not in temples made with hands; neither is ministered to by men's hands, as though he needed anything, seeing he gives to all life and

26 breath, and all things; and has made of one blood every nation of men, to dwell on all the face of the earth, having determined the ap-

27 pointed seasons and limits of their abode; that they should seek the Lord, if, perhaps, they might feel after him and find him; although,

28 indeed, he is not far from any one of us; for by him we live, and move, and have our being; as even some of your own poets have said;

For we, indeed, his offspring are.

29 Since, then, we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like to gold or silver, graved by art or man's device.

30 And the times of this ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men every where,

31 to reform. Because he has appointed a day, in which he will judge the world in righteousness, by that man whom he has appointed, giving assurance to all, having raised him from the

32 dead. And when they heard of a resurrection of the dead, some mocked; and others said, We will hear you again concerning this mat-

33 ter. So Paul departed from among them.

34 But certain persons adhered to him and believed: among whom was Dionysius the Areo-

pagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

XVIII.—After these things Paul left Athens, and went to Corinth. And having found a 2 certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla (because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to depart from Rome), he came to them. And 3 because he was of the same trade, he abode with them, and worked: for by occupation they were tent-makers. And he reasoned in 4 the synagogue every sabbath, and endeavored to persuade both Jews and Greeks. But when 5 Silas and Timothy were come from Macedonia, Paul was constrained in spirit, earnestly testifying to the Jews that Jesus was the Christ.

And when they resisted and reviled, he shook his raiment, and said to them, Your blood be on your own heads. I am clean. Henceforth I will go to the Gentiles. And he departed thence, and entered into the house of a certain man named Justus, who worshiped God, whose house was adjacent to the synagogue. Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his family: and many of the Corinthians, hearing, believed, and were immersed. Then the Lord said to Paul, in a vision by night, Be not afraid, but speak, and be not silent; for I am with you, and no man 10 shall assail you to hurt you: for I have many people in this city. And he continued there a 11 year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

And when Gallio was governing Achaia as 12 proconsul, the Jews, with one consent, made insurrection against Paul, and brought him to the judgment-seat, saying, This fellow persuades 13 men to worship God contrary to the law.

And as Paul was about to open his mouth, 14 Gallio said to the Jews, Were it, indeed, a matter of wrong, or a wicked act, Jews, it would be reasonable that I should bear with you. But 15 if it be a question concerning a doctrine, and names, and your law, look you to it: for I will not be a judge of these matters. And he drove 16 them from the judgment-seat. Then all the 17 Greeks took Sosthenes, the ruler of the syna-

gogue, and beat him before the judgment-seat: and Gallio cared for none of these things.

And Paul tarried yet many days, and, having bid adieu to the brethren, sailed forth into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shorn his head in Cenchrea: for he had a vow.

19 And he came into Ephesus, and left them there. But he himself, entering into the synagogue,

20 reasoned with the Jews, and though they requested him to remain longer time with them,

21 he did not consent: but bade them farewell, saying, I must by all means keep the approaching feast at Jerusalem: but I will return to you again, if God will; and he sailed from Ephesus.

22 And after he had gone down to Cesarea, and gone up and saluted the congregation, he went down to Antioch.

And having spent some time there, he departed, passing through all the country of Galatia and Phrygia, in order, establishing all the disciples.

And a certain Jew, named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, and mighty in the

25 Scriptures, came down to Ephesus. This man was instructed in the way of the Lord, and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught diligently the things concerning the Lord, though he knew

26 only the immersion of John. And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom, when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him to them, and expounded to him the way of God

27 more accurately. And when he was disposed to pass into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who, when he had come, afforded much aid to them who had

28 believed, through the gift which he had: for he powerfully and thoroughly in public convinced the Jews, clearly showing by the Scriptures, that Jesus was the Christ.

XIX.—And while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper parts, came into Ephesus; and finding certain disciples there, he said to them. Did you on believing receive the

2 he said to them, Did you on believing receive the Holy Spirit? And they said to him, we have not, indeed, heard, that there is a Holy Spirit.

3 And he said to them, Into what then were you immersed? And they said, Into John's immer-

sion. Then said Paul, John, indeed, administered 4 an immersion of reformation, saying to the people, that they should believe on him who would come after him, that is, on Jesus the Christ. Having heard this, they were immersed into the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke with tongues, and prophesied: now all the men were about twelve. And he went into the synagogue, and spoke boldly for about three months, discussing and persuading as to things concerning the kingdom of God. But when some were hardened, and believed not, but spoke evil of the way, in the presence of the multitude, he departed from them and separated the disciples, discussing daily in the school of one Tyrannus. And this continued 10 during two years; so that all those who dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks. And God worked special 11 miracles by the hands of Paul: so that from his 12 body were carried to the sick, handkerchiefs, or aprong and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them. certain of the Jewish exorcists, who went about from place to place, also attempted to pronounce the name of the Lord Jesus upon those who had evil spirits, saying, We adjure you by the Jesus whom Paul preaches. And there were seven 14 sons of one Sceva, a Jew and chief of the priests, who did so. And the evil spirit answered and 15 said, Jesus I acknowledge, and Paul I know: but who are you? And the man in whom the evil 16 spirit was, leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them; so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded. this was known to all the Jews and Greeks dwelling at Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified. And many who believed came, and confessed, 18 and declared their deeds. Many of them also, 19 who practiced magic arts, brought together their books, and burnt them in the presence of all, and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver. So powerfully 20 grew the word of God, and prevailed. When these things were ended, Paul firmly 21

purposed in spirit, when he had passed through

Macedonia, and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, after I have been there, I must also see

22 Rome. So he sent into Macedonia two of those who ministered to him, Timothy and Erastus:

- 23 but he himself stayed in Asia for a season. And the same time there arose no small stir about
- 24 the way. For a certain man, named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines for Artemis, brought no small gain to the artisans;
- 25 whom he called together, with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, you know well that, by this employment we have our prosperity.
- 26 Moreover, you see and hear that, not only at Ephesus, but almost throughout Asia, this Paul has persuaded and turned aside many people, saying that they are no gods which are made
- 27 with hands; so that not only this our trade is in danger of coming into contempt; but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis will be despised, and her magnificence destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worship.

28 And when they heard this, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Artemis

- 29 of the Ephesians. And the whole city was filled with tumult, and having caught Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord into the
- 30 theatre. And when Paul would have gone in to the people, the disciples suffered him not.
- 31 And some of the chief men of Asia, who were his friends, sent to him, entreating him not to
- 32 venture himself into the theatre. Some, therefore, cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused, and the greater part knew not wherefore they were come together.
- 33 And they drew Alexander out of the crowd, the Jews urging him forward. And Alexander, waving the hand, would have made his defense
- 34 to the people. But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice, about the space of two hours, cried out, Great is Artemis of the Ephesians.
- 35 And when the city-clerk had appeased the people, he says, Ephesians, what man is there who knows not that the city of the Ephesians is a worshiper of the great Artemis, and of the image which fell down from Jupiter?

36 Seeing then that these things can not be spoken

against, you ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rashly. For you have brought hither 37 these men, who are neither robbers of temples nor yet revilers of your goddess. Therefore, 38 if Demetrius, and the artisans that are with him, have a complaint against any man, the law is open, and there are proconsuls: let them accuse one another. But if you inquire any 39 thing concerning other matters, it shall be determined in the lawful assembly. For we are in 40 danger of being called in question for this day's uproar, there being no cause in reference to which we shall be able to give an account of this concourse. And when he had thus spoken, 41 he dismissed the assembly.

XX.—And after the disturbance had ceased, Paul called to him the disciples, and embracing them, departed to go into Macedonia. when he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he came into Greece, and having spent three months there, he resolved to return through Macedonia, the Jews having laid wait for him, as he was about to embark for Syria. And there accompanied 4 him to Asia, Sopater of Berea, and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timothy; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus. And these going before, tarried for us at Troas. And we sailed away from Philippi, after the days of unleavened bread, and came to them to Troas, in five days, where we abode seven days.

And on the first day of the week, when we 7 came together for the breaking a loaf, Paul discoursed with them, ready to depart on the morrow, and continued his speech till midnight. And there were many lamps in the upper 8 chamber, where we were assembled together. And there sat in the open window a certain 9 young man, named Eutychus, who had fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long discoursing, he sunk down with sleep, and fell from the third story, and was taken up dead. And Paul went down, and fell upon him, and 10 embracing him, said, Be not troubled, for his life is in him. And when he had come up, 11 and had broken the loaf, and eaten, and talked

a long while, even till day-break, so he depart-12 ed. And they brought the young man alive, 13 and were not a little comforted. And we went forward to the ship, and sailed to Assos, there intending to take in Paul: for so he had appointed, intending himself to go on foot. 14 And when he met us at Assos, we took him in, 15 and came to Mitylene. And having sailed thence, we came the next day over against Chios; and the next day we arrived at Samos, and remained at Trogvllium; and the next day 16 we came to Miletus; for Paul had determined to sail past Ephesus, that he might not spend the time in Asia; for he hastened, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem on the day 17 of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called for the elders of the con-18 gregation. And when they were come to him, he said to them: You well know from the first day that I came into Asia, in what manner I 19 have always been with you, serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears and trials, which befell me by the plots of the 20 Jews: and that I have kept back nothing that was profitable, but have declared to you, and have taught you both publicly, and from house 21 to house, testifying both to the Jews and Greeks, reformation toward God, and faith 22 toward our Lord Jesus Christ. And now behold, I go bound in spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things which will befall me there: 23 except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying, that bonds and afflictions await me. 24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received from the Lord Jesus, to testify the 25 gospel of the grace of God. And now behold, I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, will see my

26 face no more; wherefore I take you to witness

27 For I have kept nothing back, but have declar-

28 ed to you the whole counsel of God. Take

this day, that I am clear from the blood of all.

heed, therefore, to yourselves, and to all the

flock in which the Holy Spirit has constituted

you overseers, to feed the congregation of the

Lord, which he has purchased with his own

blood. For I know this, that after my depar- 29 ture fierce wolves will enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also from among your own- 30 selves, men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore 31 watch, and remember, that during three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you 32 to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them who are sanctified. I 33 have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or You yourselves know, that these 34 hands have ministered to my necessities, and to those that were with me. I have shown you 35 in all respects that by so laboring you ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that he himself said, It is more blessed to give than to receive And when he had said this, he kneeled down, 36 and prayed with them all. And they all wept 37 much, and having fallen on Paul's neck, they kissed him, sorrowing especially for the words 38 which he had spoken, that they would see his face no more. And they accompanied him to the ship. XXI.—When now it came to pass that we

put to sea, having departed from them, we came with a straight course to Cos, and the day following to Rhodes, and thence to Patara. And having found a ship crossing over to Phenicia, we went on board, and set sail. Now having had a view of Cyprus, and having left it behind on the left hand, we sailed to Syria, and landed at Tyre: for there the ship was to unlade her cargo. And having sought out the disciples, we remained there seven days; who said to Paul, through the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem. But having completed the days, we went on our way; and they all with their wives and children conducted us on our way, till we were out of the city; and having kneeled down on the shore, we prayed. And having embraced one another, we went on board the ship, and they returned home. Now we, having completed the voyage, came down from Tyre to Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and

8 remained with them one day. And the next day we departed, and came to Cesarea; and entering into the house of Philip the evangelist, who was one of the seven, we remained with

9 him. Now the same man had four daughters,

10 virgins, who prophesied. And as we remained there several days, there came down from Judea

11 a certain prophet, named Agabus. And when he came to us, he took Paul's girdle, and binding his own hands and feet, said, Thus says the Holy Spirit, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man who owns this girdle, and shall deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.

12 Now when we heard these things, both we, and they of that place, besought Paul not to go

13 up to Jerusalem. Then Paul answered, What do you, weeping and breaking my heart? for I am ready not only to be bound, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.

14 And when he could not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done!

15 And after those days we packed up our bag-16 gage, and went up to Jerusalem. There went with us certain of the disciples of Cesarea, bringing us to Mnason, a Cyprian, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.

17 Now when we were come to Jerusalem, the 18 brethren gladly received us. And the day following Paul went in with us to James, and all

19 the elders were present. And when he had saluted them, he related particularly what things God had wrought among the Gentiles through

20 his ministry. And when they heard it, they glorified the Lord, and said to Paul, You see, brother, what myriads of Jews there are who have believed; and they are all zealous for the

21 law; now they have been informed concerning you, that you teach all the Jews who are among the Gentiles apostasy from Moses, saying that they ought not to circumcise their children.

22 neither to walk after the customs. What then is it? The multitude must needs come together:

23 for they will hear that you have come. Do this, therefore, which we say to you: We have four

24 men who have a vow on themselves; taking these with yourself, purify yourself with them, and bear the charges for them, that they may shave their heads: and all will know that those things of which they were informed concerning you, are nothing, but that you yourself also walk orderly, and keep the law.

But as respects the Gentiles who have believed, we have already written and concluded that they observe no such thing; only that they abstain from things offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from all kinds of lewdness.

Then Paul took the men, and the next day 26 purifying himself with them, entered into the temple, announcing the fulfillment of the days of purification, till the offerings should be offered for each one of them.

Now as the seven days were about to be 27 completed, the Jews who were of Asia, when they saw him in the temple, stirred up all the people, and laid hands on him, crying out, 28 Israelites, help! This is the man who teaches all men every where against this people, and the law, and this place: and further also has brought Greeks into the temple, and has polluted this holy place. For they had formerly seen 29 with him in the city, Trophimus, an Ephesian, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple. And all the city was moved, and 30 the people ran together, and seizing Paul, they dragged him out of the temple: and immediately the doors were shut. And as they 31 were seeking to kill him, word came up to the chiliarch of the cohort, that all Jerusalem was in confusion; who immediately took soldiers 32 and centurions, and ran down upon them. 'And when they saw the chiliarch and the soldiers, they ceased from beating Paul. Then the 33 chiliarch drew near and took him, and commanded him to be bound with two chains, and inquired who he might be, and what he had But some in the crowd were shouting 34 one thing, and some another: and when he could not know the certainty, on account of the tumult, he commanded him to be led into the castle. And when he was on the stairs, it 35 came to pass that he was borne by the soldiers, on account of the violence of the crowd. For 36 the multitude of the people followed, crying out, Away with him! And as Paul was about to be 37 led into the castle, he said to the chiliarch, May

I speak to you? Who said, Do you know 38 Greek? Are you not then that Egyptian, who before these days made an uproar, and led out into the wilderness the four thousand assassins? 39 But Paul said, I am, indeed, a Jew from Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city; and I beseech you to permit me to speak to the 40 people. And when he had permitted him, Paul stood on the stairs, and waved with his hand to the people; and when there was made a great silence, he spoke to them in the Hebrew tongue, saying:

XXII.—Brethren, and fathers! Hear my 2 defense which I now make to you. And when they heard that he spoke the Hebrew tongue, 3 they kept the greater silence. And he says, I am indeed a Jew, born in Tarsus in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city, and taught at the feet of Gamaliel, according to the perfect law of our fathers, and was as zealous toward God, as you 4 all are this day. And I persecuted those of this way to death, binding and delivering into 5 prison both men and women, as also the high priest and the whole body of the elders can bear me testimony; from whom also I received letters to the brethren, and went to Damascus, to bring those that were bound there to Jeru-6 salem, to be punished. And as I was on my journey, and was come nigh to Damascus about noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a great 7 light around me: and I fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to me, Saul, Saul, why do 8 you persecute me? And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said to me, I am Jesus of 9 Nazareth, whom you persecute. And they who were with me, saw indeed the light, and were afraid: but they understood not the voice of 10 him that spake to me. And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said to me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it shall be told you concerning all the things which are 11 appointed you to do. And as I could not see for the splendor of that light, I was led by the hand by those who were with me, and came 12 into Damascus. And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, well spoken of among

13 all the Jews who dwelt there, came to me, and

stood, and said to me, Brother Saul, receive your sight, and the same hour I looked up upon him. And he said, The God of our fathers has 14 chosen you, that you should know his will, and see that Just One, and hear the voice of his mouth. For you shall be his witness to all 15 men, of what you have seen and heard. And 16 now why do you delay? Arise, and be immersed, and wash away your sins, invoking the name of the Lord. And when I returned to Jerusa- 17 lem, even while I prayed in the temple, I was in a trance; and beheld him saying to me, Make 18 haste, and go quickly out of Jerusalem; for they will not receive your testimony concerning And I said, Lord, they know that I 19 imprisoned, and beat in every synagogue those who believed on thee: and when the blood of 20 Stephen thy witness, was shed, I also was standing by, consenting, and kept the raiment of them who slew him. And he said to me, 21 Depart; for I will send you out far hence to the Gentiles.

And they heard him up to this word, and 22 then raised their voices, and said, Away with such a fellow from the earth; for it is not fit that he should live. And as they shouted, and 23 threw up their clothes, and cast dust into the air, the chiliarch commanded him to be brought 24 into the castle, and ordered that he should be examined by scourging, that he might ascertain wherefore they cried out against him. And as 25 they were binding him with thongs, Paul said to the centurion who stood by, Is it lawful for you to scourge a man who is a Roman, and uncondemned? When the centurion heard 26 that, he went and told the chiliarch, saying, Take heed what you are about to do; for this man is a Roman. Then the chiliarch came, and 27 said to him, Tell me, are you a Roman? He said, Yes. And the chiliarch answered, With 28 a great sum I obtained this citizenship; and Paul said, But I was born with it. Then imme- 29 diately they departed from him who were about to have examined him; and the chiliarch also was afraid after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him.

On the next day, being desirous to know with 30 certainty on what account he was accused by

the Jews, he loosed him from his bonds, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and having brought down Paul, he placed him before them.

XXIII.—And Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Brethren, I have lived to God 2 with all good conscience until this day. And the high priest Ananias commanded them who stood by him, to strike him on the mouth. 3 Then Paul said to him, God will strike you, you whited wall: for do you sit do judge me according to the law, and command me to be 4 struck contrary to the law? And they who stood by, said, Do you revile God's high priest? 5 Then said Paul, I knew not, brethren, that he

was the high priest; for it is written, You shall not speak evil of the ruler of your people.

6 But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, Brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: concerning a hope and a resurrection of the dead I am now judged.
7 And when he had so said, there arose a dis-

sension between the Pharisees and the Sad-

8 ducees; and the multitude was divided. For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection nor angel, nor spirit; but the Pharisees confess

9 both. And there arose a great clamor; and the scribes who were of the Pharisees' party arose, and strove, saying, We find no evil in this man: but, if an angel or spirit spoke to him,—

10 And when there arose a great dissension, the chiliarch, fearing that Paul would have been pulled in pieces by them, commanded the soldiery to go down, and take him by force from among them, and to bring him into the castle.

11 And the night following, the Lord stood by him, and said, Take courage, for as you have testified of me in Jerusalem, so must you also bear testimony in Rome.

12 And when it was day, the Jews, having formed a combination, bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor

13 drink till they had killed Paul: and there were more than forty who had formed this con-

14 spiracy. And they went to the chief priest and elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under

a great curse, that we will eat nothing till we we have slain Paul. Now, therefore, you with 15 the council, signify to the chiliarch that he bring him down to you to-morrow, as though you would inquire something more exactly concerning him: and we, before he can come near, will be ready to kill him.

And when Paul's sister's son heard of the 16 ambush, he went and entered into the castle, and told Paul. Then Paul called one of the 17 centurions to him, and said, Bring this young man to the chiliarch; for he has a certain thing to tell him. And so he took him, and brought 18 him to the chiliarch, and says, Paul the prisoner called me to him, and requested me to bring this young man to you. Then the chiliarch took 19 him by the hand, and went with him aside privately, and asked him, What is that you have to say to me? And he said, The Jews 20 have agreed to request you, that you would bring down Paul to-morrow into the council, as though they would inquire something about him more perfectly. But do not you yield to them: 21 for there lie in wait for him more than forty men of them, who have bound themselves with an oath, that they will neither eat nor drink till they have killed him; and now are they ready, looking for the promise from you. chiliarch let the young man depart, and charged him, Tell no person that you have showed these things to me. And he called to him some two 23 of the centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers, and seventy horsemen, and two hundred spearmen, to go to Cesarea, at the third hour of the night; and let them provide 24 beasts on which they may place Paul, and bring him safe to Felix the governor. And he wrote 25 a letter after this manner: Claudius Lysias, to 26 the most excellent governor Felix, sends greeting. This man was taken by the Jews, and 27 was about to be killed by them; but I came with the soldiery, and rescued him, having learned that he was a Roman. And when I 28 wished to know the cause for which they accused him, I brought him forth into their council: and found him to be accused about 29 questions of their law, but to have nothing laid to his charge worthy of death, or of bonds.

- 30 And when it was told me how the Jews laid wait for the man, I sent him immediately to you, and gave commandement to his accusers also, to say before you what they had against Farewell.
- 31 Then the soldiers, as it was commanded them, took Paul, and brought him by night to Antipa-
- 32 tris; and on the morrow they left the horsemen to go with him (and returned to the eastle):
- 33 who, when they came to Cesarca, and delivered the epistle to the governor, presented Paul also
- 34 before him. And when the governor had read the letter, he asked of what province he was. And when he understood that he was of Cilicia, he
- 35 said, I will hear you, when your accusers are also come. And he commanded him to be kept under guard in the pretorium of Herod.

XXIV.—Now after five days, Ananias the high priest came down to Cesarea with the elders, and with a certain orator named Tertullus, who appeared before the governor against

- 2 Paul. And when he was called, Tertullus proceeded to accuse him, saying, Seeing that through you we enjoy much peace, and that many very worthy deeds are done this nation through
- 3 your prudent administration; we receive it in every way, and everywhere, most noble Felix,
- 4 with all thankfulness. But that I may not weary you longer, I pray you of your elemency to hear
- 5 a few words from us. For we have found this man a pest, and exciting disturbance among all the Jews throughout the world, a chief-leader
- 6 of the sect of Nazarenes: who also has gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our law:
- 7 but the chiliarch Lysias came upon us, and with great violence took him away out of our hands,
- 8 commanding his accusers to come to you: by examining of whom you yourself may obtain knowledge of all these thing whereof we accuse
- 9 him. And the Jews also assailed him, saying that these things were so.
- 10 Then Paul, after that the governor had beckoned to him to speak, answered:—Knowing that you have been for many years a judge for this nation, I do the more cheerfully answer for
- 11 myself; it being in your power to know that

there are yet but twelve days since I went up to Jerusalem to worship. And they neither found 12 me in the temple disputing with any man, neither stirring up the people, neither in the synagogue, nor in the city: neither can they prove the 13 things of which they now accuse me. But this I 14 confess to you, that after the way which they call a sect, so I worship the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets: and have a hope towards 15 God, which they themselves also entertain, that there is to be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and also of the unjust. And in this 16 do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offense towards God and men.

Now, after many years, I came in order to 17 bring alms to my nation, and to make offerings; on which occasion certain Jews from Asia found 18 me purified in the temple, but neither with a crowd, nor with tumult: who ought to have 19 been here before you to accuse me, had they any charge against me; or else let these themselves 20 say, if they found any evil in me, when I stood before the council, except it be for this one 21 expression which I made standing among them, Concerning the resurrection of the dead I am this day called in question.

And when Felix heard these things, knowing 22 more accurately the things in regard to the way, he deferred them, and said, When Lysias the chiliarch shall come down, I will thoroughly examine the matters between you. And he 23 commanded the centurion that Paul should be kept, and that he should have a relaxation, and that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister, or come to him. And, after some 24 days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla (who was a Jewess), he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in relation to Christ. And as he reasoned concerning justice, self- 25 government, and the judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go your way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will send for you. At the same time hoping that 26 money would have been given him by Paul, that he might release him, he therefore sent for him the oftener, and conversed with him. But after 27 two years Felix had a successor, Porcius Festus;

and Felix, willing to show the Jews a favor, left Paul bound.

XXV.—Now when Festus had come into the province, after three days, he went up from

- 2 Cesarea to Jerusalem. Then the high priest, and the chief of the Jews, informed him against
- 3 Paul, and besought him, asking for themselves a favor against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, preparing an ambush to kill him on
- 4 the way. But Festus answered that Paul should be kept in custody at Cesarca, and that he him-
- 5 self would shortly depart thither. Let the powerful among you, said he, go down with me and accuse this man, if there is any wickedness in him.
- 6 And when he had tarried among them more than ten days, he went down to Cesarea; and the next day sitting on the judgment-seat, com-
- 7 manded Paul to be brought. And when he was come, the Jews who came down from Jerusalem stood around him, and laid many and heavy complaints against Paul, which they could not
- 8 prove; while he answered for himself, Neither against the law of the Jews, nor against the temple, nor yet against Cesar have I at all
- 9 offended. But Festus, willing to do the Jews a favor, answered Paul, and said, Will you go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these
- 10 things before me? Then said Paul, I stand at Cesar's judgment-seat, where I ought to be judged: to the Jews I have done no wrong, as
- 11 you yourself very well know. For if I am doing wrong, and have committed any thing worthy of death, I refuse not to die; but if there is nothing in these matters of which they accuse me, no man can deliver me up to them:
- 12 I appeal to Cesar. Then Festus, when he had talked with the council, answered, You have appealed to Cesar, to Cesar shall you go.
- 13 And after certain days, king Agrippa and Bernice came to Cesarea to salute Festus.
- 14 And when they had been there many days, Festus set forth to the king the facts concerning Paul, saying, There is a certain man left
- 15 prisoner by Felix; about whom, when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews brought an information, asking for

themselves justice against him; to whom I 16 answered: It is not the custom of the Romans to deliver any man to die before he that is accused have his accusers face to face, and have an opportunity to answer for himself concerning the charge. Therefore, when they had come 17 hither, without any delay on the morrow, I sat on the judgment-seat, and commanded the man to be brought; against whom, when the accu- 18 sers stood up, they brought no accusation of such things as I surmised: but had certain 19 questions against him respecting their own religion, and of one Jesus, who had died, whom Paul affirmed to be alive. And because I 20 doubted how to investigate such questions, I asked him whether he would go to Jerusalem, and be judged concerning these matters: but 21 Paul having appealed, to be kept as a prisoner, with a view to the examination of Augustus, I commanded him to be kept till I shall send him to Cesar. Then Agrippa said to Festus, I my; 22 self also would wish to hear the man. To-morrow, said he, you shall hear him.

And on the morrow, when Agrippa had come, 23 and Bernice, with much pomp, and had entered into the place of audience, with the chiliarchs and principal men of the city, at the command of Festus, Paul was brought forth. Then 24 Festus says, King Agrippa, and all men who are present with us, you see this man about whom all the multitude of the Jews have interceded with me, both at Jerusalem, and also here, crying out that he ought not to live any longer. But 25 when I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death, and he himself having appealed to Augustus, I determined to send him: of 26 whom I have nothing certain to write to my sovereign, wherefore I have brought him forth before you; and especially before you, king Agrippa, that after examination, I may have something to write. For it seems to me un- 27 reasonable to send a prisoner, and not also to signify the charges against him.

XXVI.—Then Agrippa says to Paul, You are permitted to speak for yourself. Then Paul stretched forth his hand, and answered for himself: I think myself happy, king Agrippa,

because I shall answer for myself this day before you, concerning all the things of which I am

3 accused by Jews: because I know you to be especially skilled in all customs and questions which are among Jews; wherefore I besecch you to hear me patiently.

4 My manner of life from my youth, which was at the first among my own nation at Jerusalem, all the Jews know, who have known me from

5 the beginning, if they would testify, that, after the strictest sect of our religion, I lived a Pharisee. And now I stand, and am judged for the hope

6 of the promise made by God to our fathers: to the accomplishment of which promise our twelve

7 tribes, earnestly serving God day and night, hope to attain; on account of which hope, king

8 Agrippa, I am accused by Jews. What! Is it judged incredible with you that God raises the

9 dead? I, indeed, thought with myself that I ought to do many things against the name of

10 Jesus of Nazareth. Which things I also did in Jerusalem: and many of the saints I shut up in prisons, having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I gave

11 my vote against them. And punishing them often throughout all the synagogues, I compelled them to revile *Jesus*, and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted them even to foreign

12 cities. In doing this, as I went to Damascus, with authority and commission from the chief priests,

13 at mid-day, O king, I saw along the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me, and those that jour-

14 neyed with me. And when we had all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking to me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why do you persequte me? It is hard for you

15 to kick against goads. And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom

16 you persecute. But rise, and stand upon your feet: for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to make you a minister and a witness both of those things you have seen, and of those

17 things in which I will appear to you; delivering you from the people, and from the Gentiles,

18 to whom I now send you, to open their eyes, that they may turn from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and an inheritance among them that are sanctified, by the faith respecting me.

Whence, king Agrippa, I was not disobedient 19 to the heavenly vision, but showed first to those 20 of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the region of Judea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should reform and turn to God, and do works proper for reformation. For 21 these causes the Jews seized me in the temple, and tried to kill me. Having, however, obtained the help of God, I continue to this day, testifying both to small and great, saying no other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say would come: that the Christ was to 23 suffer, and that he first, by his resurrection from the dead, would show light to the people, and to the Gentiles.

And as he thus spoke for himself, Festus said 24 with a loud voice, Paul, you are mad, much learning has made you mad. But he says, I am 25 not mad, most excellent Festus; but speak the words of truth and of a sound mind. For the 26 king well knows concerning these things, before whom, therefore, I speak boldly; for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him: for this thing has not been done in a King Agrippa, do you believe the 27 prophets? I know that you believe them. Then Agrippa said to Paul, You in a little time 28 persuade me to become a Christian. And Paul 29 said, I would to God, that not only you, but also all that hear me this day, were, in a little or much time, such as I am, except these bonds.

And when he had said these things, the king 30 rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and they who sat with them, and when they had 31 gone aside, they talked among themselves, saying, This man does nothing worthy of death, or of bonds. Then Agrippa said to Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he 32 had not appealed to Cesar.

XXVII.—And when it was determined that we should sail to Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other prisoners to a centurion of the Augustan cohort, named Julius. And entering 2 into a vessel of Adramyttium, we put to sea,

being about to sail by the coasts of Asia, Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica,

3 being with us. And the next day we landed at Sidon: and Julius courteously treated Paul, and gave him liberty to go to the friends, to partake

- 4 of their kindness. And when we had loosed from thence, we sailed under Cyprus, because
- 5 the winds were contrary. And when we had sailed over the sea along Cilicia and Pamphy-
- 6 lia, we came to Myra, a city of Lycia: and there the centurion found a ship of Alexandria sailing into Italy, and he put us on board of it.
- 7 And when we had sailed slowly many days, and with difficulty came off Cnidus, the wind not permitting us, we sailed under Crete, over
- 8 against Salmone; and coasting along it with difficulty, came to a certain place called, The Fair Havens; near which was the city of Lasea.
- 9 Now a long time having elapsed, the navigation being now unsafe (because also the fast was already past), Paul exhorted them, saying,
- 10 Sirs, I perceive that the voyage will be with violence and much loss, not only of the cargo
- 11 and ship, but also of our lives. Nevertheless the centurion believed the helmsman and the owner of the ship rather than those things
- 12 spoken by Paul: and because the haven was incommodious to winter in, the majority also advised to depart thence, if by any means they might attain to Phœnix, to winter, which is a haven of Crete, facing southwest and northwest.
- 13 Now when a south-wind blew moderately, thinking to have gained their purpose, having
- 14 weighed *anchor*, they sailed close by Crete. But immediately a whirlwind, called Euroclydon.
- 15 struck against the ship. And when it was borne away, and could not bear up against the
- 16 wind, giving up, we let it drive. And running under a certain small island, called Clauda, with difficulty we were able to secure the boat:
- 17 which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship; and fearing lest they should be stranded on the sand bank, they
- 18 lowered the sail, and so were driven. Now we being exceedingly tempest tossed, the next day
- 19 they lightened the ship; and the third day we cast out with our own hands the tackling of the

ship. And when neither sun nor stars had for 20 many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on us, at last all hope that we should be saved was utterly taken away.

But after much abstinence, Paul stood in the 21 midst of them, and said, Sirs, you should have hearkened to me, and not have loosed from Crete, and so have sustained this harm and loss. Yet now I exhort you to be of good cheer; for 22 there shall be no loss of any man's life among you, except the ship.

For there stood by me this night the angel 23 of God, whose I am, and whom I also worship, saying, Fear not, Paul; you must be brought 24 before Cesar: and lo, God has given to you all those who sail with you. Wherefore, sirs, be 25 of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me. But still, we must 26 be cast upon some island.

But when the fourteenth night was come, as 27 we were borne along in the Adriatic sea, about midnight the seamen thought that they drew near to some land; and sounded, and found it 28 twenty fathoms; and when they had gone a little further, they sounded again, and found it fifteen fathoms. Then fearing lest we should 29 have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and longed for day.

And as the seamen were about to flee out of 30 the ship, when they had let down the boat into the sea, under pretense of carrying anchors out of the foreship, Paul said to the centurion, and 31 to the soldiers, Unless these abide in the ship, you can not be saved. Then the soldiers cut 32 off the ropes of the boat, and let it fall off. And while the day was coming on, Paul 33 besought them all to take food, saving. This is the fourteenth day that you have been waiting, and continue fasting, having taken nothing. Wherefore I pray you to take some food, for 34 this is necessary for your preservation: for there shall not a hair perish from the head of any of you. And when he had thus spoken, 35 having taken a loaf, he gave thanks to God in presence of them all; and when he had broken it, he began to cat. Then were they all of good 36 cheer, and they also themselves took some food. Now all the souls together in the ship were two 37 38 hundred and seventy-six. And when they had caten enough, they lightened the ship, and east out the wheat into the sea.

39 And when it was day, they recognized not the land, but they perceived a certain inlet having a shore, into which they determined.

40 were it possible, to thrust the ship. And having entirely cut away the anchors, they abandoned them to the sea, and at the same time having unfastened the rudder-bands, and hoisted up the foresail to the wind, they made toward

41 shore. And having fallen into a place where two currents met, they ran the ship aground; and the prow sticking fast, remained immovable, but the stern was broken by the violence of the

42 waves. And the soldiers' counsel was to kill the prisoners, lest any of them should swim out,

43 and escape. But the captain, willing to save Paul, kept them from their purpose, and commanded that they who could swim should cast themselves first into the sea, and get to land:

44 and the rest, some on boards, and others on some of the things from the ship. And so they all escaped safe to land.

XXVIII.—And when we had fully escaped, then we ascertained that the island was called 2 Melite. And the barbarous people showed us no common philanthropy: for they kindled a fire, and brought us all to it, because of the present rain, and because of the cold.

3 And when Paul had gathered a great number of dry sticks, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on

4 his hand. And when the barbarians saw the venomous creature hanging on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he has escaped the sea,

5 yet Justice permits not to live. And he shook off the creature into the fire, and suffered no

6 harm; but they expected that he would be inflamed, or that he would suddenly fall down dead. But after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed

7 their minds, and said that he was a god. In the same parts were possessions of the chief of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously. And the father of Publius lay sick of a 8 fever, and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul went, and prayed, and laid his hands upon him, and healed him. So when this was done, others 9 also who had diseases in the island, came, and were healed; who also honored us with many 10 honors; and when we departed, they laded us with such things as were necessary.

And after three months we departed in a ship 11 of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux. And land- 12 ing at Syracuse, we tarried there three days. And thence we coasted round, and came to 13 Rhegium: and after one day, the south wind having risen, we came the next day to Puteoli: where we found brethren, and were desired to 14 tarry with them seven days, and then we went towards Rome. And from thence, when the 15 brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appli Forum, and the Three Taverns; whom when Paul saw he thanked God, and took courage. And when we came to Rome, 16 the centurion delivered the prisoners to the commander of the camp, but it was permitted to Paul to dwell by himself, with a soldier who guarded him. And after three days, he called 17 the chief of the Jews together, and when they were come together, he said to them, Brethren, though I have committed nothing against our people, or the customs of our fathers, yet I was delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans; who when they had 18 examined me, would have released me, because there was no cause of death in me. But when 19 the Jews spoke against it, I was compelled to appeal to Cesar; not that I had any thing to charge against my nation. On this account, there- 20 fore, I have invited you, that I might see you, and speak with you: for on account of the hope of Israel I am compassed with this chain.

And they said to him, We neither received 21 letters from Judea concerning you, nor has any one of the brethren who came, reported or said any harm of you; but we think it proper to 22 hear from you, what you think: for as it respects this sect, we know that it is every where spoken against.

23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them of the things concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out

24 of the prophets, from morning to evening. And some believed the things that were spoken, and

25 others believed them not. So not agreeing among themselves, they departed, Paul having said one word, Well spoke the Holy Spirit by

26 Isaiah the prophet to our fathers, saying, Go to this people, and say, Hearing you will hear, and will not understand; and seeing you will see,

27 and not perceive; for the heart of this people is become gross, and their ears are dull of hear-

ing, and they have closed their eyes, lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. Be it known, therefore, to you, that the sal-28 vation of God is sent to the Gentiles, and they will hear it. And when he had said these 29 things, the Jews departed, and had much reasoning among themselves.

And Paul remained in his own hired house 30 during two whole years, and gladly received all who came to him, announcing the kingdom of 31 God, and teaching the things concerning the Lord Jesus Christ, with 'all boldness, and without molestation.



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